

Weather Forecasts

Victoria and vicinity: Light to moderate winds, chiefly cloudy with rain tonight or Friday and warmer.
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TO INVESTIGATE DEPARTMENTS

Prospective Members of New Commission to be Appointed for Purpose of Looking Into Civil Service Work

NO HAMPERING BY RESTRICTIONS

Hon. Martin Burrell Arranging for Fruit Convention to be Held in Ottawa Early in New Year

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—It is reported tonight that the government has decided upon the men who are to conduct the investigation into the several departments of the public service at Ottawa. The names mentioned are those of A. B. Morine, K. C., of Toronto, Richard S. Lake, of Grenfell, Sask., and G. N. Ducharme, of Montreal.

Mr. Morine is regarded as peculiarly well fitted for the work of investigation by reason of his lengthy experience in administrative affairs of Newfoundland and of his high standing as a member of the bar. He represented the riding of Qu'Appelle, in Saskatchewan, in the last parliament, but was defeated in the September election. He is a practical farmer with a wide knowledge of business affairs, and has made a study of civil service questions. Mr. Ducharme is a wealthy man who has had a long and creditable business career in Montreal. It is expected that Mr. Morine will be chairman of the commission.

No authoritative information is regarded to the work of the commission is obtainable tonight, but it is to be expected, following the attitude repeatedly taken by Hon. R. L. Borden in parliament within the last five years that the inquiry will be wide open, and that there will be time enough allowed for the commission to make the inquiry thorough and complete. The present premier repeatedly protested while in opposition against the restrictions placed about the proposed investigation whereby the Country Party's "Cassels" commissions were circumvented.

The Courtney-Eyde-Bastard commission, appointed in 1907, dealt chiefly with the Marine department, but reported that there was no time to go into the work of the other departments. At the same time they pretty clearly indicated their opinion as to what investigation into other departments would reveal. The Cassels inquiry, which followed, had to do only with the work of the marine department officials. The big printing bureau scandal followed, revelations in that case being made after the inquiry by the then Secretary of State during his spare moments. The probabilities that the new commission will take up and consider the work begun by the other commissions, whose hands were tied by the orders-in-council appointing them. The probe will go deeper under the enlarged powers of the commission now being established.

Before adjournment of the house the minister of justice gave notice of a bill to amend the enquiries act to enable the commissions to employ experts who could be entrusted with some of the details of the work of the investigation. This amendment, it is believed, will bear directly upon the investigation to be made by the new commission.

Fruit Convention Arrangements are being completed by Hon. Martin Burrell for the holding of a fruit convention in Ottawa early in the new year. The gathering will be a large one, and will be representative of the fruit-growing interests of all Canada, the various associations and administrative bureaus. The convention will be held some time in February, and there will be in connection with it a fruit exhibition, which promises to be something better than any fruit display ever before.

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MANY HOLD-UPS

Winnipeg Has Long Series of Robberies and Assaults—Ten Vagrants Arrested by Police

WINNIPEG, Dec. 20.—An epidemic of hold-ups has afflicted this city during the past two weeks. Every part of the city has been visited, and many citizens were compelled to deliver up money and valuables. A prominent contractor was held up and stabbed on Cathedral avenue on Monday. A man crossing the Elmwood bridge was relieved of \$200; three citizens of St. Boniface last night were beaten senseless; water works employees were relieved of their month's wages.

The police have not been idle, and today arrested ten vagrants, all Americans, who have been identified. When searched much money and valuables were found, and in some instances the accused confessed. All are young men, 19 to 25 years of age.

Steamship With Chinese Crew

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 20.—The railway men of New Zealand have refused to discharge a steamer having a Chinese crew, and the owners have now entered action against the government for damages.

Watch Case Combine

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—The federal government today filed suit in the United States court against the Keystone Watch Case company, declaring it an unlawful combination in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, and asking that it be restrained from carrying on an alleged monopoly in the sale of such material.

CIVIC RIGHT WILL BE SHORT

Three Weeks from Today Electors Will Choose Representatives for Coming Year—Candidates in Field

Three weeks from today Victoria electors will choose the mayor and council to represent them for the coming year. Despite the near approach of the annual struggle for office, interest in the event has so far been remarkably limited, and while the majority aspirants have been in the field for some time, the ambitious candidates for aldermanic honors are slow in announcing themselves.

Despite the Christmas holiday season, in full swing and little likelihood of any increase in political interest next week, the campaign will not actually commence in earnest until after the New Year, and will be a short one. Candidates for honors will be given little opportunity for exercising their appealing and recruiting privileges.

It appears to be conceded that Mayor Morley and Mr. J. L. Beckwith complete the roster of candidates for the office of chief magistrate. In the aldermanic fight candidates are slowly announcing themselves.

In Ward One Alderman Okell will again, while Alderman Ross, for several terms a representative of that section, will retire. He has so announced his intention. New blood in the persons of Mr. Frederick Popham, formerly a member of Popham Bros., confectioners, for many years one of the prominent business men of the city, and a leading resident of Ward One, and Mr. Robert Board also a well-known resident of the ward and a candidate at the last election, will seek election.

In Ward Two Alderman Hunter and Bishop will again be in the running, and while no other names have been announced as yet, it is understood that Mr. Parsons and Mr. John Meston, last year candidates, will again run.

In Ward Three Aldermen W. F. Fullerton and Gleason are certain to seek re-election, and strong efforts are being made to bring Mr. Alex. Stewart into the field. Despite their reputation has been pressing upon him to permit his name to be put in nomination, but so far he has not given the matter serious consideration.

Ward Four will have as candidates Alderman H. M. Fullerton, who has been urged to again run, and his supporters refuse to take "No" for an answer. Alderman Moresby is retiring owing to business reasons, and so far no definite announcement of a would-be successor to him has been made.

Ward Five, which always boasts of ample choice in aldermanic candidates, will have Aldermen Langley and Peden again in the field, and in addition, Mr. John Dittworth and Mr. J. H. Baker, the former having been a candidate at last year's election, when he tied with Alderman Peden. Efforts are also being made to induce Mr. F. W. Vincent, who formerly represented the ward in the last council, to again enter the lists.

Other than the three retiring aldermen, trustees Jay, Riddell and Christie, who will seek re-election, but one contestant is in the field for election to the board. Dr. G. A. B. Hall, medical health officer, has announced his intention of becoming a candidate. Dr. Hall has had extensive experience in civic affairs in Nelson as well as having occupied a seat in the provincial legislature.

Other names have been mentioned as likely candidates but so far none of the gentlemen has come forward with definite announcement.

RUSSIA LIKELY TO GET HER WAY

Persian National Council Accepts Cabinet's Proposal to Appoint Commission to Deal With Ultimatum

MEANS DISMISSAL OF MR. SHUSTER

Five Deputies Clothed with Full Power to be Chosen to Handle Affair—Pressure from Regent

TEHRAN, Dec. 20.—The cabinet has won an important victory over the National Council, which forebodes the acceptance of Russia's demand for the dismissal of M. Morgan Shuster, the American treasurer-general of Persia, unless public opinion proves too strong.

The National Council in a session that lasted from 8 o'clock last night until after midnight, finally accepted the proposal to appoint a commission of five deputies with plenipotentiary powers to deal with the Russian ultimatum. Sixty members were present, and the proposal was submitted by Vosougheddollah, the foreign minister, and was adopted by a vote of 39 to 19.

The composition of the commission has not yet been announced. Vosougheddollah's proposal was hotly opposed by the Democrats, who declared that such a commission was in violation of the constitution.

It is said that the regent, Nasir el Mulk, earlier in the day, summoned the moderates and threatened to resign unless the cabinet's proposal was accepted.

The dismissal of Treasurer General Shuster was demanded by Russia in her ultimatum dealing with the Persian difficulty.

The foreign minister reported to the council on December 18, that the plight of Persia was desperate as Russia refused to abate her demands; but the deputies in spite of his appeals, insisted in the retention of Treasurer Shuster as Persia's only hope.

ATLANTIC LINES IN COMBINATION

United States Circuit Court Rules Against Companies' Demurrer in Case of Atlantic Conference

AGREEMENT AFFECTS U. S. COMMERCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The full bench of the United States Circuit court today over-ruled the demurrer interposed by the Hamburg-American steamship company and other transatlantic lines forming the "Atlantic Conference" against the government's suit for the dissolution of the "conference."

The government's contention is that the conference by reason of an alleged pooling agreement to fix freight rates is a trust in restraint of trade, and an injunction is asked to restrain the companies from further execution of the agreement.

Judge Noyes, who read the opinion, said the transportation of passengers between the United States and Europe forms part of the commerce of the United States with foreign nations, and that congress had the power to prohibit all contracts, combinations and conspiracies in restraint of the foreign commerce of the country. He declared that the agreement between the companies affects foreign commerce, because its operations must divert a part thereof from the natural channels of free competition into fixed channels assigned to the parties to the agreement.

"The different lines," the judge added, "obtain not that which would come to them from their separate efforts, but precise and certain percentages of the traffic."

Judge Noyes said the contention that the combination was formed in a foreign country was immaterial, as it affected the foreign commerce of this country and was to be put in operation here.

"Citizens of foreign countries," he added, "are not free to restrain or monopolize the foreign commerce of this country by entering into combinations abroad, or by employing foreign vessels to affect their purposes."

The defendants were tied to answer the government's complaint in February.

ALBERNI CONSERVATIVES

Largest and Most Enthusiastic Meeting Yet Held—Union of Officers for Year

ALBERNI, B. C., Dec. 20.—The most enthusiastic annual meeting and the largest ever held by the Conservative association here, now boasting a membership of one hundred, was held last evening, when officers were chosen as follows: Hon. President, Premier McBride; Patron, Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P.; President, Dr. A. D. Morgan, re-elected; Vice-President, H. S. Bragge and G. G. C. Wood and honorary secretary, Leonard Frank, for a seventh successive year. The new executive includes also W. W. G. McAllister, E. F. Erwin, Dr. A. D. Morgan, M. A. Ward and J. W. Headlip.

A special feature of the meeting was the action taken in requesting Mr. Clements, the district's representative at Ottawa, to use all possible authority in an endeavor to secure the earliest rebuilding of the Alberni public wharf.

Illness of Hon. B. F. Pearson
HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 20.—Hon. B. F. Pearson, who has been seriously ill with kidney trouble for the past ten days, has taken a turn for the worse.

Autocratic Speaker

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 20.—Following the disorderly scenes in the New South Wales legislature, when the speaker was threatened with violence, comes the order by Speaker Willis for the suspension of the chief Harbord reporter, for refusing to alter the proofs of the proceedings of the assembly as the speaker wished. The suspension, however, is in effect only confirmed by the president of the upper house.

GOOD NEWS FOR NORTHERN PEOPLE

Mr. H. S. Clements Brings Back Government Promises for a Better Telegraph Service and Reduced Letter Rate

Look for radical improvements in the Dominion telegraph service and a reduction in the rates to bring the schedule in line with the other services, particularly in regard to the night letter rates, and also had in view upon the government method of dealing with the provincial wharves, which have hitherto had to depend upon the sole support of the provincial legislature, despite the fact that they have been all the time under the jurisdiction of the Dominion.

It is the text in brief of Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., for Comox-Alberni, who arrived in the city of Victoria yesterday in the course of his parliamentary vacation, and left again on the night boat for Vancouver. Mr. Clements, who is a young parliamentarian, has come back from Ottawa imbued with the spirit of optimism prevailing there.

"How do you think the government is likely to regard the claims of British Columbia?" was the first question asked him.

A cheery smile prefaced the reply: "So far as British Columbia is concerned there is nothing to fear from the government. The government realizes what it owes to British Columbia—a solid representation on its benches and a provincial sentiment greatly in excess of its representation—and the government is not likely to forget it. I may say that every minister in the cabinet is thoroughly disposed toward the Western provinces, and it is certain that any movement for its advancement will not meet with opposition from the government side of the house. Most of them also realize that in the past they have been hardly dealt with, and in the present they are doing things up again for claims which will not be crushed out of sight."

"And the particular constituency of Comox-Alberni, what of it?"

"I am delighted with the prospect that I have brought back with me in regard to the betterment of my constituency. The government has promised every assistance for a better telegraph service to points in the north that have suffered in this respect in the past. No detailed plan has yet been made, but I am content to take the will for the deed in the meantime. As you know, the northern points of the province have been neglected in the past in regard to a telegraph service, and its improvement was one of the leading planks in my platform at the recent election. Well, the matter has been submitted to the government, and the promise I mention has been made."

"At the same time, I might state that the attention of the department has been called to the present condition of the mail service throughout the more remote parts of the constituency, and as a result of a simple explanation of the prevailing circumstances a promise has been made to inaugurate, probably by subsidy, a weekly service to places which at present have to rest content with a three-weekly service. This last particular will, I expect, be taken up early, and I will be disappointed if the improvement I have suggested is not carried out. At any rate, something will certainly be done to improve the present conditions."

Talking of telegraphs raised the question of the cables and in reply to (Continued on page 2)

NOTHING SHORT OF REPUBLIC

Firmness of Chinese Revolutionary Leaders Convinces Yuan Shi Kai's Representative at Peace Conference

TOO LATE TO SAVE MANCHU DYNASTY

Determination of Southern Country Not Properly Understood at Peking—Conferees Proceedings Fruitless

SHANGHAI, Dec. 20.—"I am convinced that the abdication of the Emperor and the establishment of a republic is the only thing that will satisfy the people of China and prevent further wholesale shedding of blood," declared Tang Shao Yi, representative of Yuan Kai, the premier, after the session of the peace conference today.

Continuing, he said: "Peking is not aware of the depth or extent of popular feeling in the south. Even I am astonished to find such a change from an attitude of patient forbearance to dogged patriotic determination. It now appears too late to save the dynasty."

"It will be difficult to persuade Yan Shi Kai to abandon his plan for a limited monarchy, but we must use every endeavor to secure peace and end this awful bloodshed and the suffering among my people."

Tang Shao Yi expressed the belief that the situation might have been saved at one time by a conference with the revolutionary leaders and prompt assurance of adjustment of wrongs, but he now considers it too late. He also is convinced that there must be no foreign interference in the way of peace or otherwise.

Six foreign powers, Great Britain, the United States, Germany, Japan, France and Russia united today in presenting an identical note to Tang Shao Yi and Wu Tang Feng. While the exact wording of the note has not been made public, it is said that it would go much farther than expressing the good will (Continued on page 2)

WESTERN STEEL CREDITORS MEET

Three Prospective Bidders for Property of Corporation Appear—Action is Deferred Until February 20

DEBTS INCLUDE TAXES DUE IN B. C.

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—Three prospective bidders for the property of the bankrupt Western Steel corporation appeared at the meeting of the creditors today. The Metropolitan Trust company, of New York, which had previously submitted a tentative proposition to take over the property, was represented by an attorney, who said that the plan for reorganizing the corporation had not been fully worked out, but would be ready for submission to the creditors in a short time.

A. L. Richardson, of New York, Chicago and Pittsburgh interests, asked that a sale of the property be postponed two or three months until the people he represents could send experts to go over the property and form a better idea of its value.

A telegram was also received from N. W. Jordan, formerly president of the American Trust company of Boston, and one of the largest stockholders in the defunct steel company, which was capitalized at \$20,000,000, saying that James A. Moore, promoter of the corporation, is in New York consulting with eastern stockholders with a view to reorganization. Mr. Jordan said that he had the utmost confidence in Mr. Moore, and asked that a sale of the assets be postponed.

Acting upon these proposals, the creditors voted to defer action until February 20, when another meeting will be held.

The creditors authorized the trustees to issue certificates against the assets of the company to pay off pressing debts, including \$4,500 taxes due the British Columbia government on Graham Island mineral lands.

Death Sentence
RIVIERE DU LOUP, Que., Dec. 20.—Julius Floride, murderer of Louis Blon, of Montreal, was today sentenced to be hanged on March 2. His brother Ovide, who gave him the cartridges, got ten years in the penitentiary.

B. C. ELECTRIC

Several Changes in Staff at Vancouver are Announced—Mr. Purvis Has Resigned

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 20.—Several changes in the management of the British Columbia Electric Railway were announced today. The resignation of Mr. Allen Purvis, who took over the management of the interurban system two years ago, has been accepted, and Mr. G. H. Franklin, local manager of the Lulu Island lines, has been appointed in his place. Mr. Franklin has been in the employ of the company for about 13 years. Mr. Stirling, who has been divisional trainmaster at the Lulu Island offices, will succeed Mr. Franklin. Mr. W. H. Elson's resignation as local manager has also been accepted. As yet no successor has been appointed. Previously the chief of staff of the B. C. E. R., Mr. Purvis was superintendent of the Kootenay division of the C. P. R., with headquarters at Nelson.

Olympic Held Responsible

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The admiralty court has found that the White Star line steamship Olympic was responsible for the collision with the British cruiser Hawke near Osborne Bay, on the north side of the Isle of Wight, on September 20th last.

Wreck Inquest

ORTONVILLE, Minn., Dec. 20.—Half a dozen men who may be held responsible for the wreck of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul train on Monday, when ten persons lost their lives at Ortonville, Minn., testifying at the coroner's inquest tonight, shifted the blame to one another. The inquest was concluded late tonight. The jury is expected to report in the morning.

PLANNING MUCH ROAD BUILDING

Hon. Thomas Taylor Says Government Will Inaugurate Comprehensive Policy at Coming Session

That the government will at the approaching session of the legislature, inaugurate a broad and comprehensive policy for road building in various parts of the province, and that large expenditures will be made in improving transportation facilities in the outlying sections which are now beginning to attract settlers, is the inference to be drawn by a statement made yesterday by Hon. Thomas Taylor, minister of works in the provincial administration.

Mr. Taylor is just back from an extensive tour of the mainland, having visited Revelstoke, Golden and Kamloops and intervening points, his business being chiefly the collection of information which might be helpful to him in preparing for the opening of the legislature in the course of a few weeks.

Mr. Taylor mentioned that last session the appropriation for roads and road improvements in the province amounted roughly to about five and one-half million dollars. But there is a strong probability that there will be a much larger appropriation this year.

Last year the estimated revenue was 7½ million dollars, but the actual revenue was about ten millions. At the last session the legislature made the appropriation based on the estimated revenue and as consequence the government finds itself in the enviable position of having ample funds on hand to provide adequately for the benefit of the country.

It may be taken as a certainty, therefore, that the appropriations for new roads and the maintenance of the highways already constructed will be much larger than last year, and perhaps the largest in the history of the province. In preparing his estimates, Mr. Taylor will take into consideration the fact that settlers are pouring into the fertile northern belts with great rapidity, and thus much of the money spent on road building the coming year will be devoted to providing transportation facilities for the newcomers upon which the unbidding of the province so much depends.

Fatal Gas Accident

PERTH, N. B., Dec. 20.—Miss Martha Macdonald, 28, of Ortonville, was fatally shot last Sunday by her brother-in-law, Frank Crane, at a summer camp thirty miles from Edmonton, as he was cleaning his rifle.

Accepted Stolen Money
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Ernest H. Thompson, one of the best known criminal lawyers in Southern California, today was found guilty of having accepted \$10,000 from Orlando Alcala, a clerk in the money order department of the Los Angeles post office, knowing the money to have been stolen. The jury verdict took less than an hour. Thompson will be sentenced by Judge Allen Wallenberg next week, and will be remanded to the custody of the marshal till that time.

Fifty Years Ago Today

(From the Colonist of December 21, 1861.)

On Thursday evening, George Deane, Esq., was elected Worshipful Master of Victoria Lodge, No. 168, Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Spurgeon was elected Treasurer, and H. McDonald, Esq., on the same evening. The appointment of other officers devolved on the Worshipful Master.

Rev. Mr. McEwen's lecture, on Monday evening promising to be a very interesting one. Under the head of "Popular Delusions," we understand that the philosophy of "ghosts, fairies and witches," will be duly explained.

The profits of the Excelsior Gymnastic Club, arising from their exhibition on Wednesday evening, amounted to \$221.75. We understand that the club will favor the public with another exhibition before the close of winter.

Attorney General Cary will proceed to the interior of the Province next week, for the purpose of subsidizing one or more steamers to carry the mails to this port during the summer months.

It is formed to the thickness of a quarter of an inch, the night before last, and James Bay first covered with a thick ice. Yesterday the Gulf was washing about on the ice, in the vicinity of the wharves.

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PRIZE DAYS HELD IN LOCAL SCHOOLS

Delightful Entertainments
Mark Term Ending at St. George's and Yverdon Schools

The little ones at Yverdon Kindergarten, Stanley avenue, taught by Miss Gulland, gave a very delightful little entertainment yesterday afternoon to their parents. They had dressed a Christmas tree with the work of their own tiny hands and great was the delight as mothers and fathers, big sisters and brothers, received calendars, blotters and picture frames to the making of which no little skill and much loving care had gone. The songs and marches of the children were delightful to see and hear. On the tables was a display of work in paper cutting, clay modelling and color work, surprisingly good for one-term pupils.

Miss Gulland gave a short address on the method of teaching, showing how thoroughly she appreciates the importance of the work in which she is engaged and how well she understands its purpose. The visitors were assured that "nothing is forced and no child is burdened. He simply has his mind's eye naturally opened and his understanding awakened so that the two may work together and be of use to him in his after life. The child, as we have him is at the age of laughter and not the age of fear. We take this joyous nature and give channels along which it can flow and develop, that the life of the future man or woman may be full, rich and free."

St. George's School

Mrs. Suttle of St. George's school has always a surprise in store for visitors at the close of the term. Yesterday morning the school was crowded with mothers of the pupils. Though without any accessories of scenery, very enjoyable renderings of scenes from "As You Like It" and "Alice in Wonderland" were given by the girls. The singing was especially good and the songs well chosen.

But one prize was given and that was won by Miss Margaret McBride for solving most quickly the greatest number of puzzles in the school paper. Rev. E. G. Miller made the presentation, after a short speech of appreciation of the work done in the school and praise of the entertainment given. The following pupils took part in the scenes from "As You Like It": Ola Balcom (The Duke), Lotus Griffith, Rita Marwood, Joyce Annable (Adam), Eileen Morton, Dorothy Donna (who divided the part of Orlando), Eileen Miller (Rosalind), Dorothy Moore (Gelia), Eileen Morton (Jacques). In "Alice in Wonderland," the parts were sustained by Dorothy McDermid, Winnie Lee, Kathleen Pauline, Katie Collison, Fern James, Lilian Norris, Francesca Poulkes, Madge Randall, Jessie Chatham (White Rabbit), Janetta Skilling (The Duchess) and Dorothy Norris (Alice).

Chinese Imperial School

The Chinese Imperial school on Flanagan street will hold its closing exercises at 8 p. m. today, to which the public is cordially invited.

Craigflower School

The closing exercises of the Craigflower public school will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. As these will be the last closing exercises in the old school all former pupils and friends will be especially welcomed.

TO INVESTIGATE DEPARTMENTS

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seen in this country, inasmuch as it will represent the best results in every branch of the industry, as far as the season will allow.

A convention, somewhat on these lines was held in 1905, but next year's will be upon much broader lines and more comprehensive in its scope.

The reorganization of the fruit section of the agricultural department will probably be postponed until the ideas of the convention are heard.

GOOD NEWS FOR NORTHERN PEOPLE

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A query Mr. Clements, remembering another point which he had brought up before the government at Ottawa, said: "In a very short time I am looking for a material reduction in the night letter rates." That applies to the Dominion service, but the great telegraph services operating throughout the country have inaugurated a special low rate for night letters consisting of so many words and I think it is about time the government service did the same thing. The cheapening of the rate will mean an increase of revenue as the reduction will popularize the service and more than reimburse any anticipated loss in this respect.

The Dominion service is in the interest of the pioneers to some extent and I think it is only right that the rates should conform to those prevailing in other systems. What a private corporation can do in the matter of telegraphs the government can do and I am assured, will do. In fact I may say from the statements made to me by the department that I expect a movement in this direction to be made very shortly.

Provincial Wharves

"If I might say a word in regard to the province generally and what it may expect from the Dominion government, I would refer to what is proposed to be done in reference to the wharves up and down the province. In the past these wharves have been forced to rely for support upon the provincial government and the fact that so far they have been able to meet with the demands of the time is something that must be credited to the Provincial government, for while

this work was being done the last Liberal government was willing to itself well knowing that the wharves of the province are within the jurisdiction of the Dominion and not the Provincial government. Well that obligation of the Dominion government will be ignored no longer. The matter has been realized. Mr. Monk, the minister of public works, is aware of the situation and he is showing a most gratifying disposition to meet all reasonable claims."

Upon the delicate questions of the fisheries and Asiatic labor Mr. Clements spoke more guardedly, recognizing the importance and association of these subjects. He assured the Colonist that the questions were engaging the serious attention of the government, and that whatever was done would be done with the best interests of the province in view. Personally he was prepared to carry out his pledge in the matter, and as the representative of practically all the fishermen in the province he gave the additional assurance that what was done would be such a nature as to merit the approval and concurrence of the people of British Columbia. He hoped for a speedy settlement that would eliminate as much as possible and as soon as possible the Asiatic interest in the provincial fishing, but as the matter is a delicate one he was not prepared to pin the government down to any definite line of policy, being satisfied that they were aware of the conditions and had sufficient wisdom to know best how to deal with the matter.

NOTHING SHORT OF REPUBLIC

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of the governments represented, and the hope that the peace conference would result in bringing the revolution to a close.

In the session of the conference between the delegates of the Imperial government and the Revolutionists, Tang Shao Yi, whose powers are clearly limited, explained that he had no reason to doubt Wu Tang's authority, but declared the matter was so important that he must communicate with Peking, and he suggested that a settlement be left to the national assembly.

The matter was presented a well defined scheme, and the conference again was indefinitely adjourned.

It was announced that the armistice has been extended to December 20.

Tang Shao Yi demands that the integrity of China be maintained, including the three provinces of Chi Li, Shantung and Kiang Su, and Mongolia and Tibet. For this the revolutionists have replied in the affirmative. Tang demands the safety of the Imperial family, and ample provision for their maintenance. Wu Tung Feng consented to this, and guaranteed ample pensions.

DYNAMITE INQUIRY

Labor Leader Clancy Interviewed by Government Investigators—Lawyer Harrington Subpoenaed

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—With Ortle E. McManis, confessed dynamiter, located where he could see every witness called by the federal grand jury resumed its investigation today.

The session followed unexpected developments of the morning, when McManis was brought face to face with E. A. Clancy, a San Francisco labor leader, in the private offices of the government investigator, who heard the morning meeting had upon McManis's confession that he had been told by J. J. McManis to meet a man named Clancy in San Francisco when he came west upon a dynamiting expedition, could only be conjectured. Clancy left the office pale and weak.

McManis was the first person other than officers to enter the chamber this afternoon. It was said he appeared briefly as a witness and was then posted in an ante-room, where all other witnesses had to pass. While there he could see Mrs. McManis, Mrs. Lane Ingersoll, Mrs. A. Brown and Mrs. Anna Johnson, all of San Francisco, who were called in the order named and questioned briefly.

It was reported that the grand jury probably would return from four to six indictments before the end of the week. It was pointed out that the most prominent witnesses summoned had not been called to testify.

ALBUQUERQUE, Dec. 20.—John R. Harrington, the Chicago attorney, who was employed as one of the investigators for the defense in the McManis case, and who is wanted as a witness before the federal grand jury now probing the alleged dynamite conspiracy at Los Angeles, was served with a subpoena by a deputy United States marshal here tonight. Harrington and his wife were passengers on the Chicago Limited. He accepted service, and will voluntarily return to Los Angeles, leaving at midnight. Harrington declined to make a statement concerning his case.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL LAW

Premier Sifton Introduces Measure Intended to Provide Model Constitution—Single Tax Principle

EDMONTON, Alberta, Dec. 20.—Premier Sifton introduced one of the most progressive pieces of legislation ever brought forward by the Liberal government. The bill now before the Alberta legislature stipulates that within seven years the single tax principle shall be observed by all established municipalities, and that it shall be observed from the outset by municipalities hereafter established in Alberta. The bill, in its entirety, will provide a model constitution for municipalities now in existence and those to be created in the future in this province. It contains 577 sections, and it is the aim of the government to include in these every consideration that enters into the administration of municipalities.

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FOR ATROCIOUS CRIME

Nurseryman is 'Arrested, Charged with Atrocious Murder of Hill Family at Ardenwald, Ore.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 20.—After a search which has progressed since the morning of June 9 last for the murderer of the four members of the family of William Hill, at Ardenwald, during the night of June 4, Sheriff Mass, of Clackamas county, assisted by a Portland detective, last night took into custody Nathan B. Harvey, a nurseryman of Ardenwald. Harvey is 52 years of age, married, and is reputed to be worth over \$50,000.

The murder of the Hill family was the most atrocious ever committed in the Pacific Northwest, involving a degree of degeneracy and licentiousness. Almost from the first suspicion centered upon Harvey as the possible perpetrator of the crime. He was watched constantly by the employees of a private detective of Portland, who formerly was a newspaper man of this city and bit by bit and strand by strand the net was woven around the alleged suspect until last night the detectives' work was completed.

Just what event finally determined the officers to make the formal arrest of Harvey cannot be learned, as Harvey, who is confined in the jail at Oregon city, denies all knowledge of the crime for some weeks.

TARIFF LEGISLATION

Committee of Two Houses of Congress to Consider Proposed Measures After Holidays

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Congress will begin consideration of tariff legislation in the committees of the two houses, after the holiday recess, though Democratic leaders of the house say no measure will be ready to report for some weeks.

Republican leader Penrose, of the senate, said the finance committee would begin its work in advance of the house, while Democratic leader Underwood said the bill would not be whipped into final shape until February. The committee, he said, must decide just what rates should be fixed, after thoroughly comparing its own data with the facts submitted by the tariff board in the report which President Taft submitted to congress today.

Senator Penrose announced that he hoped Republican senators would be able to formulate a bill to comply with the tariff board's views.

BANK STATEMENT

That Issued For Past Month Show Difference in Form—Expansion in Business Indicated

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—The bank statement for the month ending November 30, issued today, shows a decided alteration in form. While the tables are in the same order, the title is printed on a more comprehensive scale which will be a convenience to those who make use of the report.

An outstanding feature of the commercial situation as revealed by the report is a gradual expansion of the business upon a sound and healthy basis. In comparison with the statement for October, the report shows an increase of nearly ten million dollars in demand deposits, and of nearly one and a half millions in notice deposits. An increase of \$1,874,411 in current loans is also recorded during the month. Bank notes in circulation on November 30 amounted to \$11,943,055, a decrease of \$3,911,965 compared with October.

Deposits on demand totalled \$341,710,265, an increase of \$9,756,702. The savings deposits show an increase of \$1,438,451,410 to \$25,543,140. Call are short loans in Canada stood at \$72,052,493, an increase of \$2,945,026. There was a decrease of \$1,222,975 in the volume of similar loans made abroad. In current loans there were \$70,566,418 out, an increase of \$1,874,411.

MINERS' CONVENTION

Annual Meeting of District No. 6, of Western Federation, Held at Tair—Resolutions Passed

YMR. B. C., Dec. 20.—At today's session of the annual convention of District No. Six, Western Federation of Miners, which is proving the most important and successful in the history of the organization, resolutions were passed urging that the boiler inspection act be amended that men operating electric motors and compressed plants, particularly electrical hoists, be compelled to become qualified by examination in the same manner as stationary engineers; that the cause of failure of the Kraus appeal before the Privy Council, the legislature be asked to amend the workmen's compensation act so as to make clear the claims of foreign dependents; that efforts to maintain the three dollar per day minimum wage scale be made, the executive to devise ways and means for maintaining such scale when considered advisable by the members of the district.

The convention decided to advise the locals to admit wives of members and their children to the sixteen years of age to the deliberations in order to accustom them to the problems with which the family bread-winners are dealing. This was introduced by Mrs. Chenoweth, of the Rossland Women's Auxiliary, the only woman in the convention.

The treasurer's report for the quarter showed a balance to the good of over \$2,500. The cost of the Kraus case to date was stated to be \$3,800.

It was decided not to affiliate with the United Mine Workers of America at the present time, it being considered imprudent, though the step was generally favored.

In Vancouver the election of Mrs. Peter McNaughton as a member of the public school board for 1912 is already generally conceded.

See Knott Bros. & Brown's Holiday Weekly Specials, Page 16.

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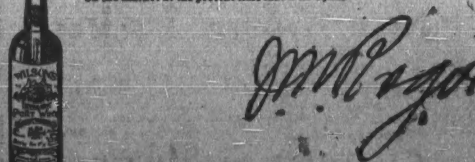
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TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL MEETING

Various Matters of Business Considered Including Protest Against Reconsideration of Hindu Immigration

The Victoria Trades and Labor Council met last evening, with Vice-President Frank Perrott in the chair. Credentials were presented by A. King, G. Geary and J. H. Rawlson as representatives of the Plumbers' Union. They were accepted.

The secretary reported that the executive committee had entered into an agreement with Mr. Harris, of Vancouver, by which the council would aid the issue of the annual Labor Review or Labor Year Book which he proposed issuing in British Columbia. The report was adopted.

Delegate Martin reported on behalf of the committee appointed to compile and publish facts for the guidance of the workers regarding the \$3 per day referendum vote that it was proposed to take at the municipal election. He reported that the City Council had decided to withdraw the proposal of taking a referendum on the matter, and the committee had made a strong protest to the aldermanic board.

The steam engineers reported that the building in the city which had been in charge of men who were incompetent was now in charge of men holding certificates, and further, that the matter of certificates being issued to non-competent men would be looked into and facts ascertained laid before the minister of public works, and also before Factory Inspector Gordon. Mr. Wynn Meredith and the city solicitor wrote thanking the council for its action regarding the Sooke Lake water works project.

The secretary of the British Columbia Federation of Labor wrote, enclosing the convention call, which takes place in Victoria on the 22nd of January, 1912. It will be the second meeting and everything points to the fact that it will be the largest ever held in British Columbia.

The new council of 1912 will elect delegates to the convention at the first meeting in January.

Delegate Webb had the regular order of business suspended to protest against the Labor Hall stove wood being left in the street, contrary to law. It developed that Chinamen would not be allowed to carry it in, and no one took the trouble to engage a white laborer.

The per capita tax to the British Columbia Federation of Labor was ordered paid.

On motion it was decided to appoint a reception committee to arrange for entertainment of delegates to the convention. Delegates Garland, Webb and Herberger were appointed with instructions to report a programme and possible expense of carrying out same.

The advisability of revising the constitution and repealing the same was left over until a future meeting.

On motion of Delegate Shirk, a resolution was passed protesting against any relaxation of the restrictions on Hindu immigration, and the secretary was instructed to communicate the fact to the proper officials both in provincial and Dominion government circles.

On motion of Delegate Martin the following committee was appointed to draw up a set of questions to be put to all candidates aspiring for the support of workmen at the next municipal election: Delegates Martin, Webb and Nicholson.

Delegate Webb reported that within a few weeks two white men were dismissed because they objected to working with Chinamen.

In view of the fact that Mr. J. A. Alkman had done many friendly acts for workmen, the secretary was instructed to convey to him by letter the sincere sympathy of the council with him in his recent great bereavement.

A resolution was passed that it is advisable the labor council should nominate candidates for school trustees, and the legislative and civic committees were instructed to take the necessary steps.

A resolution was passed that a complete financial statement for the past year be prepared, printed and distributed among members of all unions.

C. Pivetti stated that, owing to the death of Auditor Felsen the report of the Labor Temple association had been delayed in completion, but would be in the hands of all shareholders within a week.

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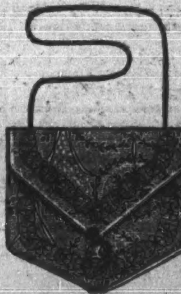
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A NOTABLE EVENT

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The completion of this railway cannot fail to be of the greatest importance to the whole West Coast and in an especial manner to the community at the head of that fine waterway known as Alberni Canal. The benefits of improved facilities of transportation are almost always felt in unexpected ways. Certain things seem obvious enough. The new railway will greatly increase intercourse between the east and west coasts of the Island, for it will render unnecessary the long and often very uncomfortable sea voyage around Cape Beale and possible delays from fog or severe storms. From Alberni a very considerable portion of the West Coast can be reached by way of channels that are well protected from the ocean, and while we do not anticipate that the sea route from Victoria will ever be abandoned, we do expect that very much business will be developed by water from Alberni. But, and this seems a very important consideration, the extension of facilities for land traffic to points beyond Alberni will now follow as a matter of course. There has been no reason for anything to be done in a large way on these lines hitherto, for the residents of the points along the coast could be served only by steamer. Now they will rightly demand to be afforded facilities for reaching the railway by land, a demand that will, we are sure, be complied with as fully as the geographical contour of the country will permit. This will produce a very far-reaching effect. There is further to be considered the fact that along the West Coast, and tributary to railways, reaching any part of the shore of Barkley Sound and its prolongation to Alberni, there are forests of very valuable timber representing in amount more than is directly tributary to any other part of the British Columbia coast. Such of the timber as may be manufactured for the Canadian market will find its way eastward over the trans-insular railway, of which the line just opened to traffic is the first to be built. As we have said it is obvious that these things will mean very much to the future of Alberni; but experience has demonstrated over and over again that the obvious things often are found to be the least important. Railway companies often "build wiser than they know," and the people of Alberni and indeed of the whole Island may by and by have reason to congratulate themselves upon this proving true in respect to the Alberni extension of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway.

Before dismissing this interesting subject we would like to draw a lesson from it of wider application than simply its effect upon the localities directly interested. We shall not attempt to estimate what this new railway has cost, but as it is in part through difficult country it must be very considerable. Neither shall we attempt to state in figures what the Canadian Pacific has expended in connection with its coasting service out of Victoria during the past six or seven years. Nor shall we mention what we suppose the Empress Hotel has cost that company or the amount of money spent and to be spent by it in terminal facilities and other undertakings for the benefit of travel and traffic. If we lump all these expenditures together and put the total at \$7,000,000 we shall probably be under rather than over the mark, if we add to this amount the amount paid for the E. & N. Railway and the money expended upon betterments, we shall probably be not far short of \$12,000,000. This enormous sum of money has been expended by a railway corporation for the promotion of its own interests in the southern third of Vancouver Island. It is a sum nearly equal to half the cash subsidy given by the govern-

ment of Canada for the construction of the transcontinental railway. Now this is the lesson: If a railway company has seen its way clear to this vast outlay for the development of its interests in so limited an area, have not the people of Victoria and the Island have a right to believe the Dominion government can be made to see its way clear to do for the promotion of a project of importance to the whole of Canada and to the whole Empire? In view of what the Canadian Pacific has done on its own behalf and for its own benefit, will any one hereafter contend that it is unreasonable to ask the Dominion government to provide for the expenditure necessary to connect the Island and Mainland railway system, so that Canada may have uninterrupted access by rail to her true western frontier. The time has come when we should think in larger figures than those that has satisfied us hitherto, and when we may with good reason fix the goal of our ambitions as a community at the highest point any of us have ever contemplated.

THE PRINCESS ALICE

It is again our pleasing duty to record the arrival of a new steamer to be added to the C. P. R. coastwise fleet. Such arrivals are multiplying as the years go by, and they are a part of our development. The Princess Alice is a thoroughly up-to-date ferry steamer, planned in every essential to meet the requirements of this coast where the people are fond of, and able to pay for, comfortable travel. Her coming will mean a great improvement in the transportation relations between here and Vancouver. Her equipment is the last word in vessels of her kind and this factor is greatly to the credit of Captain Troup who, we understand, was mainly responsible for her design. The captain knows the needs of passenger traffic on this coast. His recommendations to his company when carried out have been invariably justified. To his initiative is due in large measure the rapid growth of the C. P. R. fleet in these waters. In sizing up the opportunities which exist and in prevailing upon his company to avail itself of them he has shown an enterprise which is a considerable asset to the city.

In ten years time from now it is more than probable that the tonnage of the coastwise fleet of the transcontinental railway will have doubled and the port of Victoria will have grown correspondingly important. Congratulations to the C. P. R. for keeping abreast with the spirit of progress.

A MATTER OF SECURITY

A great deal of good white paper has recently been devoted to an attempted demonstration of the allegation that the security of the province to protect it in guaranteeing the bonds of the Canadian Northern is of no value at all, and indeed only a paper security which is destroyed by the very document itself in which it is contained. The line of argument runs somewhat after this fashion. The Canadian Northern is issuing first mortgage bonds in London guaranteed by the province, and the public is asked to estimate the infinitesimal value of the government security on the railway in view of the fact that the bonds are a first charge. This is a very specious way of stating the case, but it is grossly unfair, not simply to the government, but to the people to whom it is presented.

The answer to this allegation may be stated in a few words. The first mortgage bonds, which the province guarantees are secured upon the whole undertaking of the company in the province. If the company should make default and the bondholders should call upon the province to make good its guarantee, their claims would be at once met, whereupon they would surrender their bonds to the government, the bonded indebtedness of the line would be extinguished and the province would take over the railway, paying for it only the \$25,000 per mile guaranteed, although the railway will have cost when completed very largely in excess of that amount. The allegation mentioned—we cannot call it a criticism—rests upon the fallacy that, if the company defaulted upon its bonds, the bondholders could take over the railway and in addition claim the \$25,000 a mile from the government, a proposition too absurd for serious consideration.

While on this subject we may add that in addition to security upon the railway, the province has the covenant of the Canadian Northern railway company, which is ample in itself.

THE "IRRESPONSIBLES"

Just now it is the fashion for near-public men in the United Kingdom to "seek the bubble reputation," not at "the cannon's mouth," but in the much safer way of opening their own and talking about war with Germany. The genesis of this sort of thing was in the German war scare, when certain silly people wrote hysterical books and plays founded upon the alleged imminent prospect of a German invasion. Some people acquired considerable fame of a sort and some money by this means. It was a most indecent performance. We can un-

derstand how some patriotic soul could become so filled with fears for his country's safety that he would proclaim her dangers from the housetops, even though he should find himself to be only the voice of one crying in the wilderness of national indifference; but to coin a spurious patriotism into the money of the realm is a performance beneath contempt. After a time this sort of thing fell flat. There was no longer any money in depicting the British lion as a toothless beast, without claws or courage, and so we had a lull in the emission of jeremiads. A somewhat serious crisis arose in public affairs. It was necessary for Britain to speak, and Mr. Asquith made a statement to Parliament, which Mr. Balfour, speaking for the opposing party, endorsed in a manner in keeping with the best traditions of British public life. This was followed by a period of silence on the part of these reputation-seekers until the Moroccan incident was ended and Sir Edward Grey had made his now famous statement of Britain's position. Mr. Bonar Law, speaking for the Opposition, supported the Foreign Minister unreservedly, and in the House of Lords, representative men of both political parties united in statements of views worthy of the occasion and of the nation. The strong and dignified position which Great Britain had taken was hailed all over the world as a guarantee of the maintenance of peace. A situation that had seemed perilous had become safe. Forthwith the mouths of the "irresponsibles" were opened, and a torrent of loose words was let loose against Germany, and we are sorry to have to say that a section of the British press emulated the pestilent example of these men who, to use the language of the German Chancellor, "make war with their mouths." Such a course is similar to the Malay practice of running amuck. Those who follow it take no thought of the harm they may do so long as they gratify their desire for notoriety.

Do these men understand what is implied in the war which they contemplate with such serenity and discuss with as much lightness as they would a game of golf or the latest scandal in their social circles? We doubt it; we very greatly doubt if they realize what it would mean to the whole world if Britain and Germany should grapple in a fight to the death. We are told that the war must come, for Germany needs room for her expanding population, as if this were a reason for Britain to attack her. One would think, to hear what some of them say, that it was the duty of the British people to set in to kill off as many Germans as possible so as to offset the surplus of births over deaths in that country. If Germany needs room for expansion now, she will need it none the less if the British fleet should sink every one of her ships in the North Sea. The problem would still remain unsolved, no matter how many Germans we might kill in battle.

But we may be asked why Germany should build a navy if not for the purpose of attacking Great Britain. If German statesmanship is as sagacious as the prophets of evil would have us think, this is the very last reason why she should build a navy. We can understand a German navy to protect expanding German commerce. We can understand a German navy to protect German colonies that some day may be established abroad. But we cannot understand a German navy built to test supremacy on the sea with a power that is far stronger on the water and proposes to remain so. We cannot understand German statesmanship preparing to stake the Kaiser's crown and the very existence of the Empire upon the result of a collision with an immensely more powerful fleet manned by the best seamen in the world.

It is very clear, indeed, that the present pace in naval construction cannot be indefinitely continued. It is also clear that the British Empire cannot be indefinitely continued. It is also clear that the British Empire must always be a maritime power, and in view of the widely scattered distribution of the imperial areas, it must be the greatest of naval powers. The Empire can brook no near rival on the ocean. But the solution of the problem is not in war. It is to be sought in an understanding, the way in which was greatly smoothed by the speech of Sir Edward Grey. The men responsible for the welfare of both countries are seeking to discover how honorable peace can be maintained between them, and it is a thousand pities that the "irresponsibles" will not hold their tongues.

What does Captain Duncan Frederick Campbell mean by telling the electors of Arrshire, Scotland, that the Empire has been and may be again in danger of losing Canada? Such statements as this are inescapably mischievous. There never has been a time since the close of the American revolution, that is since 1783, when there was the shadow of danger of Canada being lost to the Empire.

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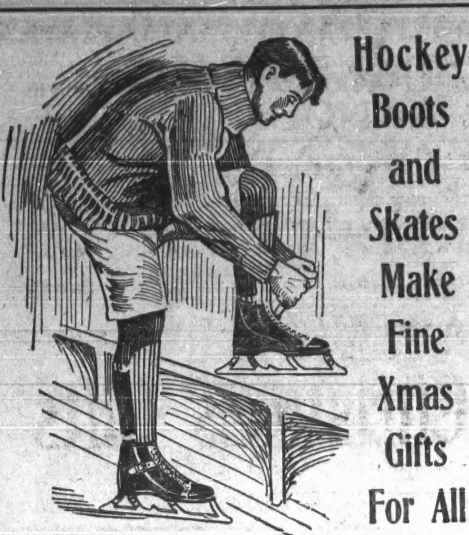
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NEW CONDITIONS IN THE MOTHERLAND

Mr. A. Sheppard Barton Gives His Impressions of Recent Visit to Old Country—"All Eyes on Canada"

"Property less, taxes more, and the country governed to death," was the caustic but succinct summary of the condition of affairs in the Motherland, given yesterday by Mr. A. Sheppard Barton of Victoria, who has just returned with Mrs. Barton from an extended visit to the Old Country. "I do not mean that the country is impoverished," said Mr. Barton. "For trade, it was told everywhere, was never better, and the general condition of the Motherland in commerce is one of unexampled prosperity. But, apart from industrial decline, there is a prevalent feeling of unrest as to the future of the country. What is said for Britain in this respect may be good for Canada, as there is an extraordinary interest in the investing value of Canadian securities far beyond that in any other part of the Empire. Though my visit was purely one of pleasure, and I determined to catch all the localities. As a sister party, if one started to converse with one's host over a dinner about the province, in a minute one would find the whole table busied and end in a laughing fit. It was quite embarrassing," added Mr. Barton, laughing. "But significant of the shift of British interest—and capital."

Mr. A. S. Barton expressed cordial concurrence in the views expressed by Dr. Stewart, C.M.C., in yesterday's Colonial, concerning the feeling towards Germany in England. The general attitude of the nation towards a war is that of "We don't want to fight, but if we've got to—!" The cock of the head was significant of the "we don't want to fight, but if we've got to—!" The cock of the head was significant of the "we don't want to fight, but if we've got to—!" The cock of the head was significant of the "we don't want to fight, but if we've got to—!"

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. A. C. Fenn, Vancouver, is in town for a few days. Dr. Ernest Hall has returned to Victoria after his lecture tour in Kootenay. Mrs. L. U. Convery will not receive today but will be at home to her friends the third Thursday in January. Dr. W. E. Home, late R. N. and Mrs. Home, formerly at the Royal Naval Hospital, Esquimalt, are to sail by the Campania on the 23rd, instant and expect to reach Victoria early in the new year. Miss Pearl Bickelmeier entertained several of her friends at her mother's residence, North Park street, on Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Dorothy Harris, who was celebrating her birthday. Dainty refreshments were served. Madame Anne Beatrice Sheldon, a local vocalist who has appeared in many productions, has arrived from New York City to spend her first Christmas at home in six years. Madame Sheldon is visiting her daughter and relatives. Miss Constance Bromley-Jubb, daughter of Mrs. Bromley-Jubb of this city, arrived in Vancouver from San Francisco on Sunday on her return from India where she has been visiting for nearly two years. Miss Bromley-Jubb is a young actress of considerable talent, having played with Tress in "The Tempest" in "The Darling of the Gods" under Charles Frohman's management, and also with the P. R. Benson company in a number of Shakespearean productions. She has accepted an engagement with the Empress theatre stock company in the Terminal City, Mrs. Bromley-Jubb, who went over to Vancouver to meet her daughter, returned home on Tuesday.

AT THE CITY HOTELS

At the Balmoral—Miss Alexander, T. Artye, H. H. W. Broad, W. J. Floyd, Vancouver; Mrs. Ritchie, George B. C. W. Tolson, Ganges, B. C.; P. B. Nescon, Thetis Island; P. Pickering, Satorus. At the Dominion—Mrs. Reid, Matchless; B. Anderson, Duncan; Mrs. Atchison, Mrs. Shaffard, W. Shaffard, Seattle; Mrs. Scarf, J. Milligan, Mrs. Milligan, Mrs. Girdwood, Colwood; P. Marquard and daughter, Nicola; W. Gray, Seattle; Mrs. Duffy, Mrs. A. H. R. Sanderson and wife, Mrs. A. H. R. Sanderson, Harrison; Mr. Chalmers, Kamloops; P. Burness, Brooklyn; F. Phelan, Seattle; Mrs. Kingston, Point-à-Point; P. Harris, Point-à-Point; E. Callaghan, Jordan River; R. Reid, Merritt; J. Carney, St. George; J. R. Carney and wife, Moose Jaw; Miss Carney, Moose Jaw; W. Kelen, Mr. Beaton, Prince Rupert; J. Clubb, Tod Inlet. At the Empress—Dr. A. T. and Mrs. West, Mrs. A. M. Potts, Duncan; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Merrill, Vancouver; A. E. D. Stewart, Seattle; J. W. Collie, C. H. D. Robertson, Vancouver; Mrs. Wallis and family, Vancouver; H. Williams, Mrs. G. N. Jordan, Vancouver; Robert Stevenson, Princeton; H. S. Clements, M.P., Vancouver; J. Munro, Seattle; H. B. Muir, Inverness; H. H. W. Flint, Mr. and Mrs. J. Duncan, Regina; G. C. Grubb, Nanaimo; C. Featherstonhaugh, Cowichan Bay; T. R. Nye, North Vancouver.

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and Cummings have similar evidence. They both stated they were present at interviews which Brown had with Dr. Munro and that at none of them was any commission talked about as far as they were aware. It is regarded as probable that the decision will be appealed.

INDUSTRIAL TROUBLES

Strike and Lockout Threatened in Laneshire Cotton Mills—Troops Called to Scene

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20.—The weavers in the Helene mill at Accrington went on strike tonight because of the employment of non-union labor. The strike threatens to spread to other mills in Laneshire. On their part the mill owners threaten to retaliate by a general lock-out, which would affect one hundred thousand operatives.

DUNDEE, Scotland, Dec. 20.—The arrival of troops requisitioned by the Lord Provost here to repress the disturbances caused by the striking dockers and carters of the port, has had a salutary effect on the disorderly element. Twenty thousand workers are idle and business is almost paralyzed.

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COURT DISMISSES COMMISSION CLAIM

Action Against Three Vancouver Doctors for Recovery of Sum on Sale of Danamuir Properties Fails

In the Supreme court yesterday afternoon Mr. Justice Clements dismissed the action for \$50,000 commission on the deal for the sale of the Danamuir mines to the Mackenzie-Mann interests, brought the day before by Mrs. Reginald C. Brown, a young broker, and cousin of Lady Main, against Doctors Munro, Brydon-Jack, and Clements, Vancouver. The case was one of the plaintiff's claim that he had a verbal agreement with the defendants for half of the commission in the event of a sale being made, and as was reported in these columns yesterday such a sale was made to Sir William Mackenzie in the city of Victoria while the parties to the case were endeavoring to interest Sir Donald Mann in Vancouver. The defendants' action in getting \$27,500 out of the commission on the deal, and the plaintiff sought to get half of what he received. His claim for \$50,000 was based upon the erroneous idea that the defendants obtained the whole of the \$100,000 commission paid to Messrs. Hamilton and Ferguson in whom had been vested the right to sell the property by Mr. E. T. Elliot of this city, who held the option on the property.

On summing up the evidence and dismissing the action Mr. Justice Clements said: "I may frankly say that if the case depended solely upon the evidence I should give Brown on the one side and Dr. Munro on the other I would be given considerable difficulty. But the plaintiff's claim that he has been throughout a partner in this highly speculative transaction. In order to decide in the plaintiff's favor I would have to accept the three defendants in rebuttal." As he did not see how this could be done under the circumstances he said: "He admitted that prior to the introduction of Sir Donald Mann to the party in Vancouver plaintiff had agreed that he was to know where he got off," but as witness had no power to make a sale of the properties in question, he returned Brown to Mr. Ferguson who had the selling rights. Doctors Brydon-Jack

MRS. J. A. AIKMAN'S SUDDEN, SAD DEMISE

Wife of Local Barrister Found Dead in Bathroom of Fort Street Rooms by Son Yesterday Noon

The death of Mrs. J. A. Aikman, wife of Mr. J. A. Aikman, barrister, of this city, occurred at her home on Fort street about noon yesterday, the result of what Dr. J. D. Helmecken says was carbolic acid poisoning.

The deceased had gone upstairs to dress preparatory to going out for the afternoon, and her long delayed absence aroused the anxiety of her son Clifford, who found the body of his mother in the bathroom of the house, after going upstairs to learn why she did not come down.

Dr. Helmecken, Ridgewood, and Holden were immediately summoned, but they were too late to do anything. Mr. Aikman, who was in the city at the time was quickly notified.

Coroner Hart was ordered an inquest, this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The late Mrs. Aikman was born in Galens, Georgia, and came as a child to Nanaimo where she attended school. She had been married twice, having previously been the wife of the late Mr. Kilpatrick, a livery stable proprietor who passed away in this city several years ago. Her husband and three children are left to mourn her loss.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Clearings Show Increase.—Local bank clearings for the week ended Tuesday showed a large increase over the previous week, the total being \$1,258,344, compared with \$1,195,281, an increase of \$63,063 or thirty-seven per cent.

Teachers Appointed.—At a meeting of the school board held yesterday afternoon the following appointments to the teaching staff were made: Misses J. B. Johnson, Alice Miller, Jessie Roberts, R. B. Leclair and Rhoda Sherwood. It was decided to erect a small building in the Central school ground to relieve the congestion in the girls' school, provided funds are available.

Court of Revision.—The adjourned session of the municipal court of revision will be held in the council chamber of the city hall this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. There is very little further business to transact, the session today being merely for the purpose of getting from Mr. C. N. Tubman and Mr. J. Martin, deponents, evidence that they were duly authorized to take affidavits in making registrations on the voters' lists.

Marbo Scheme.—The harbor development committee of the board of trade has arranged for another interview with Mr. L. G. Costa, the federal government's engineer, who is here to report on the project of harbor improvement, tomorrow afternoon at the board rooms, at 3 o'clock. The members of the committee ever since Mr. Costa's arrival in the city have been indefatigable in their endeavors to aid him in the execution of his task in every possible manner.

Graded Union Meeting.—The regular meeting of the newly organized Sunday School Graded Union, was held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Tuesday evening with sixty-eight members in attendance. The meeting opened with a ten minute devotional service after which the half hour teacher training class was conducted by Mr. J. W. Campbell. The lesson for next Sunday was then taught in the grades, as follows: Beginners, Miss Gould; Primary, Mrs. Scates; Juniors, Mrs. McIntyre; Intermediate, Mr. MacDonald; Adults, Rev. B. A. MacConnell.

No Justification.—Leo Palletto, who was tried and convicted on evidence in the county court yesterday before Judge Langman on a charge of stabbing a man named Hall and thereby doing him grievous bodily harm, was sentenced to a term of six months imprisonment. Provocation was pleaded as justification for the assault, but the judge held that nothing short of the extreme provocation would justify such an action, and as it had not been proved that the provocation was extreme, he thought the sentence meted out fitted the case. Mr. Austin represented the crown, and Mr. W. Moresby appeared for the prisoner.

Praise Victoria Street Work.—London in their praise of what Victoria has done in the matter of street improvements and appreciating the reported complaints made by Victorians against the city's street improvement programme, representatives of the North Vancouver municipality visited the city yesterday and were shown about the leading thoroughfares. The desire to see what other centres are doing in the way of street paving was the object of the visitor's trip to the capital and they declared their belief that Victoria is far and away ahead of many cities with a much larger population. Mayor McNish, City Engineer Haines and Clerk Sheppard represented North Vancouver.

They Would Come Here.—Christmas time seems to stimulate rather than to retard the flow of inquiries into the offices of the Vancouver Land Development League. The majority come from the north of England and Scotland and include one from a man with \$2,000 with general experience of the Old Country and the colonies who wishes to find an investment for his money in a farm or trade; another from a Cheshire man with \$1,000 who asks the price of land for poultry farming. An oyster and ice merchant and fruiterer of Old Colwyn, South Wales, with between \$2,000 and \$3,000 wishes to know his prospects if he started a similar business here. Other letters come from all parts of the prairies, from Cape Breton and from San Antonio, Brazil.

These Stories Differ.—Andrew Bayton and William Hanson were arrested yesterday by Detectives Murray and Hutchinson on a charge of stealing the sum of \$23 in money and a pair of eyeglasses valued at \$10.50; the property of Mrs. Saunders. Both men will come up for trial in the police court this morning. It is alleged that Hanson was driving Bayton's hack one night recently when Mrs. Saunders was returning home from an evening function in the conveyance. When she alighted from the hack, she left therein a handbag containing the money, glasses and some papers. On enquiries being made for the missing bag, Bayton returning it to Mr. Saunders, but with the papers only. The police were asked to endeavor to locate the money and glasses and on interviewing Hanson, the latter told them he had found the handbag and had noticed that there was money in it but had handed it to Bayton. The latter claims there was no money or glasses in the bag when he got it from Hanson.

Created a Disturbance.—In the police court yesterday, William Oliver, aged 17, was found guilty of creating a disturbance in Victoria West on Sunday night last and fined \$5. The boy's father was on hand, and after the prosecution had finished with his witnesses, they underwent a severe cross-examination by the father of the accused. He was unsuccessful, however, in convincing the magistrate that his boy had not broken the law, and after hearing the fine imposed remarked that he would appeal.

Overseas Club.—At the special general meeting of the Overseas Club, at the Foresters' hall, Broad street, it was decided to hold the annual general meeting in the New Year in the same hall. It was also decided to arrange for refreshments and a musical programme to follow the meeting. The question of accepting permanent club rooms was deferred till the annual meeting, out of compliment to the president, who was unavoidably absent. Mr. St. Barbe presided over a fair attendance of members.

Building Permits.—Building permits were issued yesterday by the building inspector to Messrs. Cole and Brunt dwelling on Pandora avenue to cost \$2,200; to J. C. Moore, dwelling on Fifth street, to cost \$1,000.

Verdict of Suicide.—A verdict of "suicide while temporarily insane" was returned yesterday by the coroner's jury which sat at the city hall to investigate the circumstances surrounding the death of John Komula, found dead on Tuesday morning a short distance inside the entrance to Craigdarroch with a bullet wound in his breast, the revolver from which the shot was fired being clasped in his right hand. Letters left by the deceased told of his intention to take his own life.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 8 p.m., Dec. 20th, 1911.

SYNOPSIS

A high pressure area is central in Washington and Oregon, but a widespread area of low pressure of moderate energy covers the northern portion of this province. Light rain has fallen on the lower mainland, but the weather on the Pacific slope has been mainly fair, although cloudy and foggy on the immediate coast. In the Pacific provinces snow is falling at Qu'Appelle, but fair and moderately cold weather has been the prevailing condition. A decided cold wave continues in the Yukon.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	39	40
Kanloope	26	40
Bankerville	26	26
Prince Rupert	24	31
Atlin	26	31
Dawson, Y.T.	16	below 0
Calgary, Alta.	26	32
Winnipeg, Man.	24	28
Portland, Ore.	34	42
San Francisco, Cal.	40	51

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Address on Harbor—Under the auspices of the Real Estate Exchange of Victoria, a luncheon has been arranged for Friday, the 22nd inst to be held in the Alexandra Club for the purpose of hearing an address on a national port, by Mr. C. H. Lugin, editor of the Colonist. Among the invited guests are Premier McBride and several members of the provincial legislature. Mr. G. H. Bernard, M. P., Captain Troup of the C. P. R., Mayor Morley, the presidents of the Board of Trade and Harbor Commission. Advantage has also been taken of the presence in the city at this time to invite Mr. R. Marpole, Mr. G. M. Bosworth, and Mr. Louis Coste.

Compensation Case—Before Judge Lampman in the county court yesterday afternoon an arbitration case under the Workman's Compensation act was heard, the parties being the wife of a workman named Alexander (deceased) and Messrs. J. H. Todd & Sons. Alexander had been employed on a pile driver for the company at the waterfront about a year ago when he fell off and was drowned. Under the act the sum of \$1,500 was liable to be claimed. The case had one or two peculiar turns however, which appeared to involve the issue. It was argued that the deceased was subject to fits, a consideration which would have to be taken into account in assigning the cause of his death. And it was also stated that the wife of the deceased, who is the claimant, had married again. After hearing the argument on law the judge reserved his decision.

Did Protest Too Much—It was with conscious pride that Lee On declared his complete conversion from his former opium using habits. He deprecated the efforts of his captors to search his person and when informed that along with his fellow countrymen, Gick Sun and Pl Jim, he would be incarcerated on a charge of being a frequenter of an opium den he emphatically and with many protesting gestures affirmed his abhorrence of the drug, the stuff of which Celestial dreams are made. But Lee On's protestations came too soon. As his pockets were being emptied, their contents, at first appeared to bear out his claims. First a bottle of Chinese medicine, generally supposed to be a preventative of the return of the habit, was brought to light. To it Lee On pointed as evidence of the truth of his turn from the broad path leading to opium destruction. But shamefacedly he saw his claim shat-

tered when almost immediately there followed from his capacious pockets a package of cocaine powder, a quantity of prepared opium for smoking and a package of "Yan Shue," made from tallings of opium pipes and prepared for eating. But while Lee On had the dream ingredients he was lacking in coin of the realm, his partners, Gick Sun and Pl Jim, possessing all the visible currency to the amount of \$150. All three were arrested early in the morning in a cabin off Theatre Alley by Detectives Murray and Hutchinson.

Weedy Christmas Dinner—In response to the appeal for subscriptions in aid of the Shaftesbury Society Dinner for Needy Children the following amounts have been received: Emmanuel Baptist Sunday School, \$17.35; St. Columbia Presbyterian Sunday School, \$3.50; Miss Messenger's School, \$12.25; Metropolitan Methodist Sunday School, \$44.45; First Baptist Sunday School, \$16.50; Victoria West Baptist Sunday School, \$3.50; St. Andrew's Vale Sunday School (per Mrs. Etheridge), \$3.00; First Presbyterian Sunday School, \$13.50; Rev. T. W. Gladstone, \$5.00; Hy. Doyle, \$5.00; Hon. Richard McBride, \$5.00; Mrs. M. A. Vigor, \$2.00; Miss C. \$10.00; Miss Richards, \$2.50; Anonymous, \$3.65; Total, \$178.20. Donations may be sent to the Y. M. C. A. secretary, Mr. J. T. D. Deaville. The Exchange, Fort St. and Mr. W. B. Fisher, City Treasurer's office. The cash will be cabled about two days after Christmas.

PROVINCIAL MUSEUM IN NEED OF ROOM

Curator Kermode Taking Steps to Rearrange Show Cases Until New Wing Is Complete

The provincial museum, in common with other departments of the government, is finding itself cramped for space and is awaiting hopefully the day when the promised new four-storey wing for the museum will be constructed. Meantime the curator, Mr. Kermode, is making the best of the space at his disposal by rearranging the cases containing specimens. In this way, he will obtain room for six or eight more cases while still leaving sufficient room for visitors to walk between them.

The present building is a substantial stone fire-proof structure with two floors 75 by 125 feet. This was considered abundant when it was erected, but the collections have now far outgrown these premises, with even the work-shops in the basement are proving in-

adequate to the demands made upon them. An estimate of the specimens contained in the museum collection shows about 400 mammals, 2,500 birds, 5,000 molluscs, 1,500 ethnological specimens, with large numbers of reptilia and various other mysterious names unpronounceable by the layman although the objects themselves are interesting to look at and of great scientific value. In the provincial library also there are 450 bound volumes on subjects pertaining to museum work and over two thousand pamphlets. The museum itself has issued a comfortable number of pamphlets, including a guide to anthropology and several scientific catalogues.

As showing the attention which the museum attracts among the general public, it may be noted that the number of visitors who signed the visitors' book in the year 1910 was 5,700, while during the present year up to date it is 20,380. It is estimated that only about one-third of the people who come to the museum take the trouble to sign the book and the attendance during the year 1911 must therefore have been in the neighborhood of 50,000.

OBITUARY NOTICES

Cockin—The death of Mrs. Agnes Terrence Cockin, wife of Mr. John Cockin, occurred at an early hour yesterday morning at St. Joseph's hospital. She was born in Lanarkshire, Scotland, and is survived by her husband, two daughters and a son, father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Terrence, and three brothers and two sisters, of this city, and one brother residing in Scotland. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 from 408 King street. Rev. Mr. Wood will conduct the services.

Warner—The funeral of the late Mrs. Warner will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from 1114 Alston street to Ross Bay cemetery. Rev. Mr. Connell will officiate.

Funeral—The death of Joe Yook Foo, aged 35 years, occurred on Tuesday night at the Chinese hospital. He was a native of Canton, China. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon to the Chinese cemetery.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DEATH
WARNER—On Tuesday, the 19th inst., at her home, 1114 Alston street, Victoria, West, Mrs. Jane Warner, widow of the late Orlando Warner, and dearly beloved mother of Mrs. A. W. Cope, at twice as much—but the "Bijou" is a complete and very well made Gramophone, nevertheless. And in its musical capacity and tone quality it will do almost anything that any of them will do.

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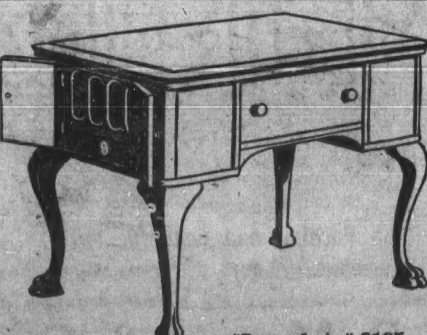
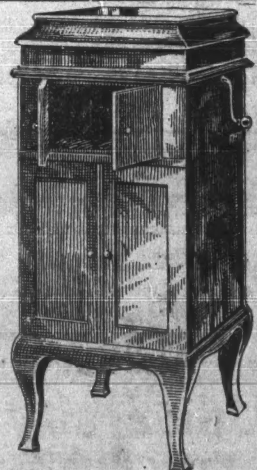


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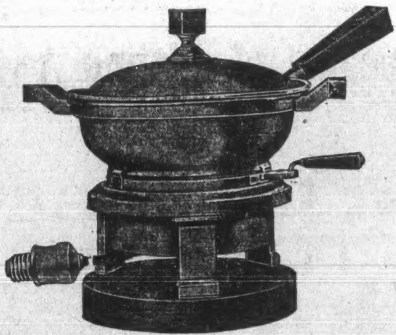
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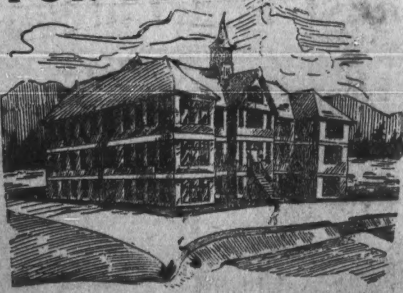
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The citizens of Toronto have lately realized that they owe a duty to the homeless people who live in the different districts of the city and have determined to fulfill it. Looking about them they have realized that the public school buildings could be warmed and lighted at a comparatively small cost. Two of these large buildings will soon be opened to all who choose to go in and play quiet games, read, or talk. Personal cleanliness and consideration for others will form the only conditions of admission. This is an experiment to be tried by the Education Department and if it is successful it will be extended. Is there not in this a hint for Victoria? Nearly all the new schools have good assembly rooms. They are situated in parts of the town where many such working men, as have been alluded to, live. Are there not in these neighborhoods public spirited citizens who would undertake to see that, if the trustees consented to the use of the buildings as places of entertainment or recreation no harm would be done their property and that the expenses of lighting, heating and cleaning the rooms would be paid. The plan may not be feasible here but it has already been found to work well in other places.

Manual Work

In all the large cities of Canada technical schools are either established or proposed. It cannot be very long before Victoria must follow this example. It must not be forgotten, however, that technical schools are very expensive. Materials and apparatus cost a great deal more money than is now spent even in our High Schools. It is not proposed by most of the advocates of trade or technical schools that they shall supplement them. Their advocates point out that while boys and girls are helped to fit themselves for the professions or to be teachers their brothers and sisters who will do the manual work of the country are allowed to leave school with a very meagre education. In former years a rigid system of apprenticeship fitted the youth for the carpenter's bench, the blacksmith's forge, or any of those more difficult callings requiring skill. In our own day it is hard to get employers to take the trouble to teach which old masters were willing to bestow. On the other hand modern boys lack the patience to begin at the simplest task and work their way up to perfection. The consequence is that the number of artisans are becoming rare. This is especially true of Canada. If we do not find a remedy for this state of things our young men and women will be left behind in the industrial race which has already begun and which will become more serious with every year that passes. It is for this reason that the parliament of Canada last year appointed a commissioner on Technical Education. The labors of this body are almost over and we may soon expect a full and complete as well as a very interesting report.

In the meantime, it is well to remember that in our schools the foundation is being laid for technical education.

All the boys in Victoria are taught to work in wood. They learn to use tools and to design and draw their patterns. They study the uses and the qualities of the woods they work with and something of the natural history of the trees from which they are made. The work is, however, dropped as soon as the lad enters the High School and it is to be feared, much of the instruction is forgotten. The training and discipline remain, however, and there are very few, if any teachers, who do not believe that in many ways the boys are benefited by the "manual training." For many years, now, instruction has been given in drawing and color work. The pupils, girls and boys, have learned the principles of design and some really beautiful work in form and color is being done. Drawing is carried on through the High School and Geometrical drawing is included in the course. An excellent course in woodwork is being given and no girl leaves the Victoria public schools who does not know how to do plain sewing thoroughly. Many attitudes are taught that are not usually considered plain sewing and these help to give variety to the work and to beautify the garments made. A little to do in the way of designing

and cutting out but as few of the girls, even in the entrance classes, take sewing it can easily be understood that most of the work must be prepared for them. Still the girls learn to judge the quality of materials and know the quantity needed to make many garments.

There is a course in household economy which is to be extended during the coming year. But already girls who have gone through the series have learned to cook simple dishes to know the dietetic value of different foods and the reasons for their combinations and have learned by practice how to keep a kitchen and all utensils perfectly clean. This work, too, does not extend beyond the senior grade of the public schools and must, for that reason, be rudimentary in its character. Great credit is due all the special teachers for the zeal with which they have entered upon their work. The girls owe it to the Women's Council that they are in some degree fitted in the schools to be homemakers. It will be seen from what has been said that technical education when it is introduced, will not have to break new ground.

YATES AND LANGLEY STREETS CORNER SOLD

Vancouver Men Pay \$50,000 for Property Formerly Owned by Mr. G. Gies—Probable Hotel Site

The realty movement in Victoria recently included a \$50,000 sale. The property involved in this transaction is situated on the corner of Yates and Langley streets and has hitherto belonged to Mr. Geo. S. Gies. It has a frontage on Langley street of eight-one feet and comprises the Bank Exchange Bar, the Victoria Dairy Lunch, and the Oakland rooms. The purchasers are Messrs. George Stevens and J. Burton of Vancouver. The Dominion Business Exchange, Green block, conducted the negotiations.

Although nothing has been stated definitely as to the object of the purchasers it is suggested that the newly-acquired property will be used as a hotel site, for which, in view of its central location and proximity to all the car lines of the city, it is admirably situated. Messrs. Stevens and Burton have been in the city for several days looking out for good buys and it is authoritatively stated that they have made several purchases, but the one referred to here is the largest they have yet interested themselves in in the city. The price obtained for the property, \$50,000, is regarded as sustaining the recent run of quotations, and is therefore regarded as a good augury for the condition of the market once the present holiday season is over and the steady influence of the new year's ushered in.

PROSECUTOR OFFENDS

County Official at Indianapolis Ordered to Appear in Court on Charge of Contempt
 INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—Asserting that Robert J. Foster, a detective engaged by the National Erectors' association for the dynamiting investigation, was interfering with him, County Prosecutor Frank P. Baker today forcibly took Foster before Judge Joseph Markey of the criminal court, and asked for protection.

Judge Markey, who was conducting a murder trial, reprimanded the prosecutor for interrupting, but Mr. Baker persisted, and snatching a club from a policeman, threatened Foster. Court officers drew Baker away, and Judge Markey ordered him to appear in court tomorrow to show cause why he should not be held in contempt.

Immediately after the incident, Mr. Baker was subpoenaed to appear tomorrow before the federal judge to testify in the government's inquiry into the dynamite cases.

SHARP ENGAGEMENT

Italian Troops Sent Out to Reconnoitre Encounter Body of Turkish Soldiers

TRIPOLI, Dec. 20.—A small force of Italians passing out of Ainara to reconnoitre, encountered a body of Turkish troops who retired after a short engagement. The Italians remained on the ground until this morning, when they returned to Ainara.

The engagement was severe, and Colonel Fara, the Italian commander, sent a messenger to summon help. He managed to hold out in spite of the fire of the Turks, which was kept up through the night. At daybreak the enemy withdrew.

Settlement House for Blind

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—With a silver trowel handed him by a blind woman, President Taft laid the corner stone this afternoon of the first settlement house for the blind in the world. A crowd of several thousand persons congested the street to get a glimpse of the president, and several hundred more looked on from the balconies of the houses. Miss Winifred Kosch, through whose efforts the proposed building had been made possible, Mr. Chaote, Governor Dix and others participated in the ceremonies. At the conclusion of the corner stone laying, the president rode to a jewelry store for Christmas shopping.

Heavy Snow in Texas

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Dec. 20.—Snowstorms were ordered out in Texas today. Two feet of snow is on the level along the Panhandle route of the Fort Worth and Denver railroad. Preceded by heavy rains the blizzard appeared to be travelling southeast.

Strikers Shot

Brandon, Man., Dec. 20.—Arthur Killford, a Grand Trunk striker, was fatally shot and John Gibbons, another striker, was also slightly wounded at Rivermouth, this morning. The shooting was done by a strikebreaker, Alfred Thomas, from Toronto, who is alleged to have shot in self-defence when attacked by strikers on his way to work. Both wounded men are in the hospital and partly on the rough wooden platform.

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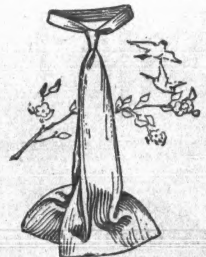
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Our Shortage Trouble

WINNIPEG, Dec. 20.—The Winnipeg board of trade today discussed the alarming car shortage in western Canada. A committee, which has been working on the subject for some weeks, reported and the board decided to petition the railway commissioners to petition the railway commission to see if some solution cannot be arrived at. The board claims the railways have failed to fulfill their duties as common carriers. The congestion resulted in the deterioration of grain in transport.

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 Burgundies, per bottle, \$1.25, \$1.00 and.....75c
 Sparkling or Moselle, per bottle, \$2.25 and.....\$1.25
 Sauternes, per bottle, \$1.25, \$1.00, 75c and.....50c
 Ginger Wine, per bottle.....75c
 Unfermented Wines, per bottle.....75c
 D.C.L. 20 Year Old Scotch, per bottle.....\$2.00
 King George IV. Scotch, per bottle.....\$1.25
 Weiser's 10 Year Old Rye, per bottle.....\$1.25
 Budweiser Lager Beer, quarts, per dozen, \$3.00; pints.....\$2.00
 Guinness Stout, quarts, per dozen, \$3.00; pints.....\$2.00
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The Sporting World



THREE-QUARTER LINE CHANGED

Victoria Rugby Fifteen Chosen—Will Give Californians a Banquet—No Referee Decided on as Yet

Probably with not more than one or two changes the Victoria Rugby Fifteen as it will appear against the University of California in the first battle of three for the supremacy of the Pacific Coast has been chosen. Any changes that occur will be decided upon by the selection committee after a practice game which will be held as a final workout at Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

The team follows: Fullback, "Boss" Johnson; three-quarters, Martin, Vincent, Stewart and Nason; half backs, Newcombe (captain) and Morton; forwards, R. Gillespie, S. Gillespie, Heinke, Carstairs, Houston, L. Sweeney, A. Jeffs and Miller.

There are some changes in the line-up which are well warranted. That Vincent and Frankie Nason have returned to the three-quarter line will be greeted with satisfaction. Their absence this season has been felt in that division and with Messrs. Stewart and Martin, the two recruits of this year, the back line looks better than it has since last season. Messrs. Gallier and Ogden are the two members who have lost their places until the final selection at least. Morton has taken the place of Sid Rich. Morton is also a recruit and he has shown great speed in intermediate games in getting the ball out on the three-quarter line quickly. For possibly that reason he has been placed before Rich, who although he has starred in many matches showed too much



BERT LINDSAY
Goal.

individuality in the recent Victoria-Vancouver encounter. The forward line looks formidable. Much of the old material is in the line-up, but they know the makeup of the southern team and should be able to give a better game than last year. Houston, who more than earned his place in the last McKeichie cup game, is the only newcomer of last year's team in the forward line.

California's Entertainment

It has been decided to banquet the University boys on the Saturday evening prior to the last match of the series. The place of play has not been decided but it will be held in one of the local clubs or one of this city's many fashionable grills. The local Rugby Union will also secure invitations for the visitors to attend the United Commercial Travellers' Grand ball at the Alexandra club on the evening before the second match, the College boys may not be allowed to accept invitations. However, it was decided that no ball would be held by the Union in order not to conflict with the Travellers' event, which will meas-



GEORGE (SKINNER) FOULIS
Right Wing

ure up to anything that has been held this year. The first game starts at 2.30 o'clock sharp on Christmas Day and it has been arranged that a good lively service be given for the occasion by the B. C. Electric Railway. The visitors will

Six of the seven players to represent Victoria in the Coast Hockey League this season are reproduced on this page. Owing to an error one set was duplicated for Donald Smith, playing centre for Victoria, and a cut of Smith will be run on the Sport page at a later date.

met upon arrival on the Princess Charlotte on Sunday by the local executive and escorted to their reserved accommodations at the Dominion hotel. Word has not been received from California in regard to the referee, but Secretary Spalding expects notice of



LESTER PATRICK
Manager and Point

their selection for the games either today or tomorrow. Messrs. Barnacle, Morency, and O. Champagne of this city and Mr. McKay of Vancouver were among the names mentioned. The second team of mainly B. team to meet the A. fifteen follows: Fullback, McDonald; three-quarters, Gallier, Ogden, Williams and Scott; half backs, Shiers and Rich; forwards, Straker, Simpson, Brown, Day, Willis, Arbuckle, A. Milligan, Monteith, C. White, and Ambrey.

VANCOUVER'S TEAM

Selection Has Been Made for Games with Stanford During Xmas Week

The team Vancouver will put in the field for the first game against Stanford University on Christmas Day was selected last night. The team selected was as follows:

Full back, Underhill.
Three-quarters, Owen Sowers cap-



WALTER SMELL
Cover-Point

tain), Russ Johnston, McRoberts and McLoze.
Half backs, Kenning and Smith.
Forwards, Leggett, Holroyd, R. R. Matthews, McLehlan, Murray, Gray, Chaffey and Scott.

The reserves are: Full back, Bullen; three-quarters, Ross, McMillan, Ellis and McQuigan; halves, Underhill and Luker; forwards, Thomas, Bennett, Durant, Prior, Walsh, Smith, Boykin and Bryant.

To some the selection of the team might come as a surprise in one or two departments. However, it will be generally conceded that the fifteen named above form about as good a representative team as could be got together. The reason that Lew Thomas, the hard scrummager, is not included in the team is that he will be away from the city on Christmas Day. He will, however, participate in the two remaining games of the series to be played on December 30 and New Year's Day. The appointment of Owen Sowers as captain has certainly been earned. He has played consistently well, and the honor accorded him is a fitting recognition of his worth.

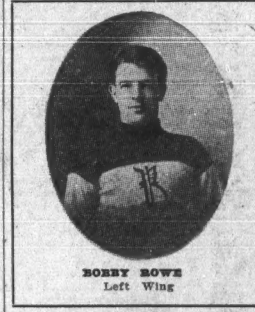
This week the 'Friendly Help Rooms' will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for the purpose of receiving the usual Christmas donations. Subscribers are requested to send in as early as possible that all baskets may be ready before the end of the week. Contributions of new clothing are especially asked for, and a poor family, lately arrived from England, are in need of a small cook stove.

RINK WILL OPEN CHRISTMAS DAY

Victoria's New "Arena" Will be Ready for the Public on Monday Afternoon—Ice in Making

It was officially announced last night by Manager Lester Patrick of the Victoria Arena Company that Victoria's new skating rink will open to the public on Monday (Christmas) afternoon from the hours of 3 to 6:30 and in the evening from 8 to 10:30. This date will usher in the initial skating and hockey season in this city and one which is predicted to be a season of marked success. For several days past the workmen on the new structure have been rushed to the limit, in order that local enthusiasts could have an opportunity of making their seasons debut on Christmas day, and the management have every reason to believe that everything will be in readiness by that date.

All this week there will be a large staff of men working day and night, manufacturing the ice and putting on the finishing touches. During the past few days there has been no busier man than Manager Lester Patrick, and from early morning till late at night he may be seen at the rink, busily engaged in directing the hundred and one things which have to be rushed through at the last minute. The interior of the building produces a most pleasing site, and the large office and various rooms for players and patrons have been carefully finished. On the top of the building, on the outside, the big sign "Arena" in four foot letters



BOBBY ROWE
Left Wing

stands out with marked prominence, and when it is illuminated with many electric lights, throws a light that can be distinctly seen for a considerable distance from the rink.

It is not improbable that the Victoria team will have a few practices at the latter end of this week, and they assure everyone that they will make a great attempt to land the new "Paterson Cup," which has been presented by His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Paterson, for competition among the Pacific Coast hockey teams. A despatch from Vancouver states that there were eighteen players of the Vancouver and New Westminster teams took part in the first practice in the Vancouver rink on Tuesday night. Last night marked the opening of the Vancouver rink to the public and on Tuesday night several hundred people witnessed the team's first practice.

On account of the work being continued until Saturday night on the Arena rink, Mr. Patrick stated last night that the public would not be ad-



TOMMY DUNDERSDALE
Rover

mitted to the rink at any time until Monday afternoon. Several hundred official programmes containing the rules of hockey, schedule of the games, and the photos of each of the players, will be in readiness within a few days. On Tuesday afternoon the brine was

prepared, and yesterday afternoon the manufacture of the ice was commenced. At a late hour last night there had been ice formed to the level of the pipes, and it is thought that by Friday night or Saturday, there should be a fine clear sheet.

NEWCASTLE UNITED

Famous Professional Soccer Eleven May Come to Western Canada Next Summer

MONTREAL, Dec. 20.—Newcastle United, one of the most famous of the English professional soccer teams, may make a tour of Canada next summer, according to a member of the Calgary Hillhurst team, whose tour in Great Britain came to such an abrupt termination a short time ago.

Negotiations have been commenced for getting the Newcastle United team to play here next summer, and to show the Canadian public, who have already seen the best of the amateur game as played by the Corinthians, how the best of the professionals play the game. For there is a vast deal of difference in the style of the two.

The Newcastle United club will have to obtain the permission of the Football association, Limited, to make the tour, and this permission, it is stated, is almost sure to be forthcoming. Speaking of the tour of the Calgary Hillhurst team, in England, the Herald's informant remarked that the collapse of the tour was owing entirely to the fact that sufficient men were not taken along. Things were going quite satisfactorily financially and otherwise till so many players became crippled that it was impossible to muster up a full team.

Mayor Rulman is a candidate for re-election in Emeryby.

The Nelson Board of Trade is petitioning the postmaster general that box owners may again be permitted to get their mail on Sundays.

Pre-emptors located north of the Nechako have combined to erect a cage on the farm to facilitate travel to and from Port George.

J. W. Copeland, of Dayton, Ohio, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold, and before the bottle was all used the boy's cold was gone. Is that not better than to pay a five dollar doctor's bill? For sale by all dealers.

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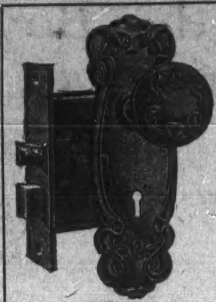
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MEETING OF LEAGUE TAKES PLACE TODAY

Tacoma Is in Danger of Losing Franchise—No Buyer Has Been Found Yet

One of the most important questions to be considered at the annual meeting of the Northwestern League directors today at Seattle will be that of a new president, but whether the city of Tacoma will lose its franchise in favor of the city of Walla Walla or some other place, is the question that will agitate the directors. President Shreder does not want another thing to do with the club, and is trying to get rid of it. A. E. Rothelmer, former secretary of the club, has taken steps to form a stock company to take over the club, but that has been a slow process. F. H. Knowlton of Nebraska has been nibbling at a proposition with Mr. Shreder. Who will sit in the delegate chair from Tacoma at the meeting is the question.

D. E. Dugdale, president of the Seattle club, has stated that there is no possibility of Tacoma being dropped from the Northwestern league, unless the forfeit of \$1,000 is withdrawn.

Spokane's Roster

J. Newton Colver of Spokane says the Spokane team will line up as follows next spring:

Catchers, Ostlick, Spiesman, Baker, Jones, Frankberry; pitchers, Joy and Keady; left handers, Willis, Cochran, Schwenk, Thornton, Kelly and one or two from Connie Mack in spring; first base, Nordyke; second base, Cartwright, or one of two class A infielders being negotiated for; shortstop, Cooney; left field, Zimmerman; centre field, Netzel; right field, Melchior; utility, Thornton.

"Barring negotiations that have been going on for two class A infielders whose names Cohn will not, of course now divulge, the possibility of a pitcher or two from Connie Mack, or another pitcher to be picked up casually now and then, this is just about the way Spokane will be represented in the chase for the 1912 pennant."

"It will be interesting to some fans to observe in this list the names of Nordyke, Netzel, Cooney and Ostlick. There have been many rumors that this quartette would be disposed of. Cohn scouts them."

WITH THE BOWLERS

Owls Take Measure of Gulls—Test Match Will Be Held Tonight

The Owls defeated the Gulls in the second and third matches of a league game last night at the Arcade alleys. This evening a test match will be held to determine to members to compose a quintette to meet the crack Moose team of Seattle on New Year's Day in this city.

Last night's score follows:

Owls—	1	2	3
Butts.....	150	150	150
Banner.....	140	140	140
Barton.....	150	162	200
Childs.....	128	128	156
Holt.....	141	147	145
	744	727	791

Gulls—	1	2	3
Foster.....	150	150	150
Huxtable.....	140	140	140
Brewster.....	170	157	216
Jones.....	185	150	169
Brooks.....	128	128	128
	777	702	743

PROFESSIONAL SOCCER TEAM WILL BE BUSY

Will Meet Nanaimo United and Cumberland in Championship Matches

The Victoria Professional soccer team will be engaged in two games during the present week-end and Christmas Day. The first will be that with the Nanaimo United Eleven, which will make its first appearance here this season and the second will take place on the holiday with the first Cumberland team. The former match will be in competition for the Island championship, while the latter is a Provincial fixture.

The Victorians have distinguished themselves on two occasions in Nanaimo by defeating both up-island teams on their home grounds, a feature that has not been accomplished by a team within the last few years at that city. Nanaimo United has a win over the city team, but Victoria leads the Island league as well as the Provincial.

The Victorians team will be selected at a meeting to be held tonight.

The Island League standing:

Victoria.....	W. L. Pts.
Nanaimo United.....	2 0 4
Nanaimo City.....	1 2 2
Nanaimo City.....	0 2 2

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The British steamer Cape Breton, at present under charter to load railroad ties in Japan for Redondo, has been taken on time charter to load general cargo on the Sound for China. She gets a rate of slightly over five shillings per ton, which is the highest figure paid a tramp steamer on time charter for some time and indicates a very strong market.

Extending Into California

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Increasing its capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$6,000,000, the Eastern Oregon Railway company today filed incorporation papers to extend its line into California, with the secretary of state. The railroad company proposes to connect its line with the Southern Pacific through the medium of the Central Pacific Railway at Weed station from a point near its line at Orland. It is proposed to start from Natron, Oregon, with branches to Klamath, Lake View and south 150 miles to Goose Lake on the border of Oregon and California, thence to Weed station in Siskiyou county. The company was incorporated in Oregon in 1906.

Mrs. Vermilyea Indicted

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—An indictment containing thirteen counts charging Mrs. Louise Vermilyea with having murdered Policeman Arthur Blasonette by poisoning him, was returned by a grand jury yesterday. She was ordered held without bail.

FEEL NOT ENGLISH

Declaration of Independence Is Model Sample, Says Mialaire Melloc.

"If you wish to know where the old model of classic and the exact English survives as a living tongue, you will discover it at Washington," said Edna Melloc, to the students at the East London college. "The Declaration of Independence is almost a perfect example."

The distinguished English essayist in private conversation and public utterance, always insists that in the rare examples of good utterance today there is a reversion to the eighteenth century form, the best examples of which come from Irishmen.

When Melloc talks about the English language he always dwells upon the importance of factors, which many linguists leave out of account in their survey, the human aspects that a man in close touch with affairs is bound to consider. So it is not surprising to find him emphasizing the enormous effect upon the English tongue of the United States and the English colonial empire.

Purists who swear by the dictionary and pride themselves on maintaining the classical conditions of the English tongue were somewhat offended by Melloc's assertion that the language had been revived by Uncle Sam and Britishers in England's seas dominions. Nearly everyone in King George's realm, for instance, either understands or uses the phrase, "it is up to him." Melloc pointed this out, and in spite of the old fashioned sticklers for linguistic propriety it is a fact that hundreds of cultured Englishmen are using daily specimens of what is known as "American slang," simply because they are direct and "tell the story."

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COMING EVENTS

Dance at Sanitation—The Ladies' guild of Sanitation are holding a social dance in the Agricultural hall on Friday, the 22nd inst. There will be a programme and good music.

Royal Jubilee Hospital—The Christmas Day celebration of "Holy Communion" will be administered at 7:15 a.m. in the Memorial Chapel. Residents of the neighborhood are cordially invited to attend.

Campfire Meeting—The regular meeting of the British Campfire Association will be held in the Foresters' hall on Broad street this evening at 8 o'clock. As this is the last meeting this year, it is requested that all members attend.

Concert Canceled—The Victoria Ladies' Musical Club will not hold its usual tri-weekly concert on Saturday next owing to the near approach of Christmas. The concert to be held three weeks later will have an exceptionally interesting programme.

Owls' Meeting—Victoria No. 10 of the International Brotherhood of Owls will hold their regular meeting in Eagles' hall this evening at 8 p.m. A business session will be held between the hours of 8 and 9 for the purpose of initiating a large class of candidates. After 9 p.m. a social and dance will be the programme for the balance of the evening, to which all Owls and their friends have been invited. Refreshments will be served and entertainment provided.

East End Club's Dance—Arrangements are well under way for a club dance to be held by the East End Athletic Association in the A.O.U.W. hall on Friday evening, January 5th. Invitations have already been issued. The committee in charge is doing everything in its power to make this dance exceed the last one, which proved a success. Willie's eight-piece orchestra will supply the latest and most popular music and an attractive list of dances will be arranged. A number of new and novel effects will be introduced. The committee consists of: Baker, W. Fredham, F. Levy, N. Hocking, W. Ryan and W. Monk.

Organ Recital—A special organ recital will be given in the Centennial Methodist church, George road, on Sunday, 24th, beginning at 7 p.m. The programme will be of a popular nature, with regard to the Christmas season and will comprise the following numbers: Fantasia on "Old Christmas Carols," Foulkes—"The First Noel," "The Lord at First Had Adam Made," "Good King Wenceslaus," "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen," "A Virgin Unspotted," "Good Men Rejoice," Finale: Romance in D Flat, Lemaire; chorus and trio in D major, Gullmunt; pastoral symphony, "The Messiah"; opening voluntary, Batista. At the conclusion of the service, the Halleluiah chorus will be played.

Hockey Dance Tonight—The members and friends of the Victoria Hockey club will hold their annual dance in the A.O.U.W. hall this evening and there is no doubt

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that the event will prove one of the successes of the season. Dancing will be begun at nine o'clock. The musical programme follows: Extra waits, to be selected; waits, Golden Dreamland; two-step, Ocean Roll; waits, Spring Maid; two-step, Oh You Bear Cat rag; waits, Dollar Princess; waits, Pink Lady; two-step, Love Me; waits, D'Automne; two-step, Who Were You With Tonight; waits, Enchantment; supper; extra, 1, 2, 3; waits, Seven Stars; two-step, In the Land of Harmony; three-step, All for You; waits, Chocolate Soldier; two-step, Spring Maid; two-step, Let's Make Love Among the Roses; waits, Madam Sherry; two-step, Oh You Beautiful Doll; waits, Third Degree; waits, Good Night Dear.

BARLEY WILL BE SHIPPED BACK AGAIN

A curious marked condition in the Eastern States has arisen which affects some of the grain fleet from this Coast this fall. Owing to a general, but, as it transpired, a mistaken, conception of the popularity of reciprocity with the United States among the Canadian voters, a number of the big buyers of barley in the Eastern and Southern States, instead of buying in California and Western markets this fall, took options on Canadian barley, and the grain was lying in Canadian elevators in the East, waiting for the success of reciprocity, when the American buyers counted on getting it across the border without the payment of a duty. With the defeat of reciprocity, however, the buyers involved in the scheme figured out the cheapest way for them to get out from under was to give up their options on the Canadian grain, and finding that practically all the barley had been shipped from California, or could not be purchased on advantageous terms they purchased the entire cargoes of three vessels en route from San Francisco to Europe.

The cargoes purchased were those of the French bark Briseaux, which sailed August 8; Champligny, which sailed August 21, and the La Roche Jaquelin, which sailed August 26. All the vessels are bound for Queenstown for orders. As it will be impossible to transport the barley from San Francisco to another American port in the French bottoms, the barks will have to discharge on the other side and the barley go back to the United States in other craft and in bond. It is stated that probably other cargoes may be purchased in transit.

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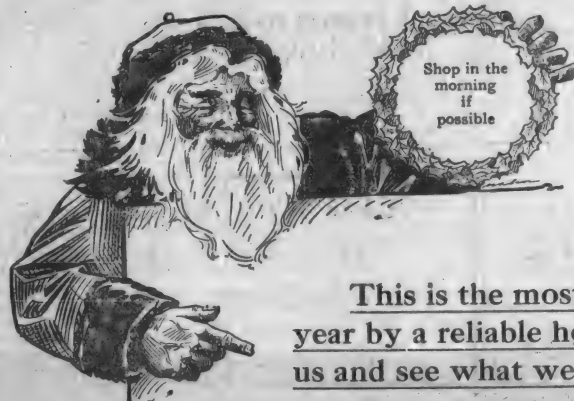
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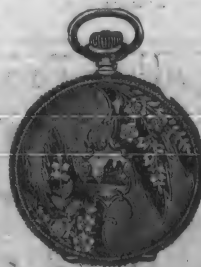
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NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Abe Attell, featherweight champion, has certainly been provided with about all the work he can attend to for some time to come. Next Friday-night, at Pittsfield, Mass., he will meet Tommy Houck in a ten-round bout. The following Tuesday he will meet Patsy Kilbane over the six-round route at Pittsburg. On the 23rd he will box "One Round" Hogan ten rounds at the Madison Square Garden and on January 14 he will meet Jack White of Chicago in a ten-round battle at New Orleans. This will be for the featherweight championship at 122 pounds ringside.

It was on January 14, 1911, at New Orleans that Fitzsimmons defeated Jack Dempsey for the championship of the world in thirteen rounds.

Attell, however, does not attach any importance to the date. He can't see how Jack White is going to take anything away from him.

Attell will then go to Los Angeles, where he is scheduled to meet Johnny Kilbane in a twenty round battle February 22, in which the championship will again be at stake. For this battle Attell is to receive \$6500 and two round-trip tickets. This is quite a neat sum for little Abe.

Tom McCarley, the Los Angeles promoter, has hung up a \$10,000 purse for the battle, out of which Attell is guaranteed \$6500 and Kilbane \$3500. Kilbane accepted the terms for the reason, so he says, that he expects to annex the championship along with the money. Kilbane ought to do it, of course, but if he does, he will have to step faster than ever before, for Abe is probably better now than he has ever been in his entire ring career.

It might not be out of place to again refer to the date. It was on Washington's birthday, February 22, 1910, that Wolgast took the championship away from Bat Nelson at Point Richmond, Cal.

When Attell's attention was called to the incident he grinned and intimated that the California battle would probably turn out in the same way that the New Orleans one with Jack White would.

"I don't go much on these hoodoo number or dates," said Abe, "days and dates have always been the same to me."

AT HALF TIME

County authorities at Kenosha, Wis., have put the lid on the boxing game, which was expected to flourish there with the patronage of Chicago fans.

Mr. One Round Hogan and Mr. Gil Boag, his manager, are offering to bet any amount that the former can put a K. O. punch on the aspirations of Mr. Patsy McFarland.

Nearly all of the prominent athletes of New York took part in the Madison Square Garden games for the benefit of a fund to provide Christmas dinners for the poor.

A mixed double tennis team, consisting of Miss Boothby, Miss M. Coles, Miss Johnson, A. D. Prebble and N. E. Doust, have sailed from England for Capetown. They are expected to play their first match on Wednesday of this week. The team will proceed to Johannesburg, where they will play during the holiday week. On February 26, the team is due to leave for South Africa where several games are scheduled to be played.

The Y. M. C. A. football team will take the field as follows against the Forester first division team in a friendly game at Beacon Hill, Saturday: Goal, Longland; full backs, Lynn and Whitecock; half backs, Lyston, Hodges and Beekwith; forwards, Main, Scott, A. Davies, Rogers and Hewitt. Reserves, McNeil, Cooper and Granger. The match will be started at 2:30 o'clock.

The following is a resolution passed at a recent meeting of the Royal Yacht club which explains itself in regard to the stand taken by the local yachtsmen who think that the proposed restricted class for vessels is insufficient. "Resolved, that while it is the opinion of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club a very good boat may be designed from the measurements already given for the proposed restricted class for international racing, it is also possible that a freak vessel might also be designed and still conform to the wording of the rules; that it is the opinion of this club that a vessel should be designed for this class of racing, which will be fit to meet the conditions likely to be encountered in the most strenuous waters of any club in the N. W. Y. R. Association. That in order to overcome these difficulties designers should be appointed from Canada and United States to collaborate and produce a design class of a good, wholesome type to meet such conditions, and such design to be for a boat whose length over all shall be 25 feet and length on the water line 24 feet.

The club is communicating this opinion to the Royal Vancouver and Seattle yacht clubs. It is hoped that vessels will be built to this restricted class by each club in the association in time for a race to take place for the Alexandra Cup in 1912.

Player Reinstated

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 19.—Player Garland ("Jake") Right, mentioned as the probable manager of the Boston Americans next season, was reinstated without a fine by the National Baseball Commission today. Stark violated a rule of the commission in 1911 by failing to report to the Boston Club, to which he was under reservation.

Cranbrook will expend \$5,000 next year to provide manual training in connection with the public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong of New Westminster, last week celebrated their golden wedding.

The provincial police are seeking to apprehend a man who last week made a daring but unsuccessful attempt to hold up the collector of customs, at Cranbrook.

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Linden	Lot 45, Block K.....	50x110	2,200	2,000
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Yates	Near Vancouver.....	30x120	10,500	10,000
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SOME HEAVY GALES WERE ENCOUNTERED

Hurricane Weathered Shortly Before Entering Strait of Magellan in Which Seagoing Qualities Were Shown

While the whistles of the steamers in port shrieked a welcome, the new steamer Princess Alice, latest and best of the C. P. R. fleet at Victoria, reached port yesterday morning, 88 days from the builder's yards at Newcastle-on-Tyne. Capt. Lindgren, who brought out the Princess Adelaide, brought the new vessel from England, and landed her in excellent condition. The new steamer weathered some great gales en route, being in company with the unfortunate steamer Bisle, which went ashore at Cape Santa Maria and became a total loss. Oil bags were used on several occasions. At Montevideo iron ports were fastened over the lower ports. She behaved well throughout, and her crew consider her a splendid sea craft.

The Princess Alice is a considerable improvement over her sister vessel the Princess Adelaide. The fittings are superior in many ways. No expense has been spared to provide for the comfort of travellers. The furnishings are complete and luxurious. The same arrangement of observation room, smoking room, dining saloon and grill below, staterooms de luxe, and other features which have been so highly commended by travellers on the Princess Adelaide are provided. The railing in main saloons is of iron, with big maple leaves as panels instead of belted woodwork as on the former steamer, and the fittings are more elaborate throughout from the inlaid of the panelling and doors to the leaded stained glass of the skylights. The smoking room has in addition to the fine art hammered bronze panels depicting British Columbia scenes including Indian totemy, a bas relief of H. R. H. Princess Alice, wife of Prince Alexander of Teck.

The Princess Alice, after undergoing satisfactory trials, left Newcastle on Friday, September 22. Captain Lindgren was in command, with Mr. Duck, Chief Officer, taken from the R. M. S. Shipress of Ireland, and who came out as chief officer of the Princess Charlotte. Mr. Palmer, who came to Vic-

toria last year in command of the steamer Bisle, and was so disappointed that he wanted to return to make his home here, as second officer, Mr. W. Baker, third officer, from the R. M. S. Empress of Britain. Mr. J. Pettigrew, chief engineer, who was sent to Newcastle by the C. P. R., came out in charge of the engines, with Mrs. Davis, formerly of the Empress of Ireland, as second engineer.

Dropping Pilot Young off Dover on September 23rd, the steamer proceeded with good weather to St. Vincent, where she coaled, and left on October 4th for Montevideo. On October 15 a heavy gale from the W. S. W. with heavy sea was encountered, and the Princess Alice, though a good seaboat, was lively in her movements. Oil bags

November 23. While there some of the officers visited Lima, the Captain and Chief engineer Pettigrew sitting in the plazas under the shade of the sheltering palm. Four days were spent at the Peruvian port, and a start was made for San Francisco on November 27, the British consul at Buenos Ayres, Mr. A. Carnegie Ross taking passage to San Francisco.

The coal secured at Callao was not good and when off the Californian coast, when strong head winds were encountered, the bunkers were nearly bare and it was decided to run for San Diego where the steamer arrived with little fuel left on December 12. The consul was landed there and the steamer proceeded to Victoria on December 14. Heavy winds and high



Deck officers, who brought out the new C. P. R. liner, —Capt. Lindgren, Chief Officer Duck, Second Officer Palmer and Third Officer Baker

were put over and were used with good effect in the storm which lasted two days. On October 20th another heavy gale was encountered and the steamer Bisle was seen during the storm, making heavy weather of it in a terrific sea from the W. S. E. The Bisle soon afterwards went ashore at Cape Santa Maria and became a total loss. Montevideo was reached the following day, and there Captain Lindgren decided to have iron doors placed over the lower portholes.

After spending eight days at Montevideo the Princess Alice proceeded and on November 3 a strong wind increased to a hurricane. The squalls were terrific, and the steamer rolled and plunged in a tremendous sea. It was feared the vessel must be damaged by

seas prevailed and when off the Washington coast a heavy northeasterly gale was encountered with strong seas, delaying the vessel, which was expected to reach Victoria a day sooner. William Head was reached on Tuesday night, and yesterday morning, after the quarantine officer came on board, the new liner came up to Victoria, making a landing at the outer wharf for a few minutes. Capt. J. W. Troup, superintendent of the C. P. R. steamship company, boarded the steamer at the outer wharf and came in with the steamer with which he is greatly pleased, and expects that the public which travels will share his pleasure.

There was a tragedy during the voyage—the execution of the pet monkey.



Captain A. A. Lindgren, who brought out the Princess Alice, on the vessel's bridge.

the force of the sea which beat over, smashing against her upper works. "In fact," said one of the officers, "we feared at times she would turn turtle. During the night when she fell off in the trough of the sea, and it was with great difficulty we managed to get her right again, fully expecting the whole top hamper to go. But she weathered the storm well, probably the worst she will ever be called upon to weather. It was an excellent trial of her thorough seaworthiness."

The Strait of Magellan was entered on November 5, and anchor was dropped for a few hours at Punta Arenas. The following day she proceeded to Coronel, encountering a strong N. E. gale with heavy squalls for about 24 hours en route. The Chilean port was reached November 12, and after spending four days coaling she left for Callao. Fine weather with moderately southeasterly winds were experienced until arrival at the Peruvian port on

Wireless operator Carmichael secured a monkey at St. Vincent and until the cold weather of the South Pacific resulted in the animal contracting pneumonia the monkey jumped about the decks. Chief officer Duck, who affects a knowledge of medicine, was called into consultation and he diagnosed the ailment and suggested that chloroform be used. The animal was rendered insensible and was then thrown overboard.

The new steamer, which is equipped to burn oil, will be overhauled at Esquimalt and is expected to be ready for service about the middle of January. Her furnishings are ready, everything being ready for installation, and nothing has been spared, except Troup, who met the steamer and piloted her to the C. P. R. wharf, was delighted with her appearance, and has not the slightest doubt that she will prove popular. The Princess Alice, built by Swan Hunter & Wigham Richardson and engaged by the Wallaced Shipway & Co.

engineering company, was launched on May 29th. Like her sister vessel, the Princess Adelaide, she is 200 feet long, 46 feet beam. The dining saloon situated on the main deck aft is paneled in Italian walnut, with decorations in white enamel and gold. Below the dining saloon is a restaurant with seating accommodation for about 100 persons at small tables. The observation room is on the promenade deck forward and has large plate glass windows on three sides. At the after end of this deck is the smoking room, furnished in fumed oak and surmounted by a stained glass dome. The oak sides are relieved with hammered copper panels. On the upper deck both fore and aft of the engine and funnel casings, there are large social halls or music rooms. The corridors on the promenade deck, which are especially lofty and well lighted have a coach roof extending their full length, designed with a clerestory finished with panels of stained glass. The propelling machinery consists of a set of triple-expansion engines with four cranks balanced on the Yarrow, Schlick and Tweedy system and will give the vessel a speed of 18 knots per hour. In addition to the ordinary coal bunkers, the ship will carry oil fuel and the boilers are fitted with a complete installation of oil burning apparatus. She is also fitted with a Marconi wireless installation.

Recent Charters

The French bark St. Louis, due here from Newcastle, Eng., with merchandise for Ralfo, Guthrie & Co., has been chartered by Hestley & Co. to load wheat at Portland and thirty shillings. The German bark Steinbek has been re-chartered by M. H. Houser to load wheat at Portland at 28 3/4. The barkentine Benicia, now on Grays Harbor, has been chartered by the E. K. Wood Lumber company to load lumber there for Guaymas.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

(By Government Wireless)

8 a. m.
Point Grey—Cloudy; wind N.W.; 10.19, 25; sea moderate.
Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 20.31, 29; sea smooth.
Tatoosh—Cloudy; wind N. 3 miles; 20.30, 40; sea moderate.
Pachena—Clear; calm; 20.05, 37; light swell.
Lisavon—Clear; calm; 20.30, 33; heavy swell.
Triangle—Foggy; wind S.E.; 20.47, 29; sea moderate. Spoke Prince Rupert at 10 p. m. off Point Grey. 20.48. In: Sir. Tiverton. 10.20. Out: Gkin Springbrook, towing, 11.15. Point Grey—Distilling; calm; wind, seaward; bar, 20.29, temp. 45.
Pachena—Cloudy; calm; bar, 20.66; temp. 45; light swell.
Lisavon—Cloudy; wind S.E. light; bar, 20.44, temp. 38; moderate.
Triangle—Foggy; S.E.; bar, 20.45, temp. 35; dense.
Prince Rupert—Overcast; S.E. strong; bar, 20.52; temp. 38; rough. In: Prince Rupert, 8.45 a. m.
Dead Tree Point—Overcast; calm; rough. 10.45 p. m.; str. Lucic.
Pachena—Misty; calm; bar, 20.62; temp. 43; light swell.
Triangle—Foggy; rainy; bar, 20.10; temp. 35; dense.
Prince Rupert—Overcast; gale; bar, 20.64; temp. 39; rough.
Dead Tree Point—Raining; S.E.; light swell.
Islands—Cloudy; S.E.; bar, 20.72; temp. 29; rough.
Lisavon—Clear; E.; bar, 20.77; temp. 37; moderate.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

The Dredge "Mastodon" will commence work at once on the north shore of the First Narrows, about half way between Brockton and Prospect Point. The mooring chains on the port side of dredge extend nearly half way across the Channel. The bow, stern and starboard lines are well out of the way. Shipmasters and those interested are therefore notified to govern themselves accordingly.
Department of Marine & Fisheries,
December 20, 1911.

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MANY RUSSIANS FACE STARVATION

Serious State of Affairs Described by Speakers in Duma—Government Relief Measures Insufficient

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20.—The Russian Duma, the public, and the press are very much concerned to find out, more or less suddenly, the much talked of partial failure of the crops this year. As a matter of fact, the history of Russia's chronic harvest deficits, is not merely a failure of crops, but a downright famine of a very serious kind. The Russian bureaucracy has always tried to hide a real famine under the name of a partial failure of the crops, and the mistake has generally been discovered only after much suffering on the part of the population remote from the great centres.

In the present case the accounts of the terrible state of affairs given by the deputies and members of the clergy have quite swept away all moderate views. The premier recently made a long speech to show that by assigning 120,000,000 ruble out of the overflowing exchequer and making relief work, everything necessary and possible was being done. This has been the subject of heated debate and severe criticism in the Duma for several days past, and evidence from this source and the papers proves that Russian administrative business, in spite of constitutional reform, is still being run on the old lines. One Duma orator proposes the dismissal of all the governors of the affected provinces for not having forwarded the central authorities of the extent of the calamity.

With starvation staring large numbers of the rural population in the face, official formalism interferes everywhere with private initiative. The committees still go on suppressing all the combined efforts of public charity, which are not first sanctioned by the government, for fear of political propaganda. While the Moscow papers were allowed to collect about 30,000 rubles this month for the bankrupt and famished peasantry, the local press organs of Perm, in the east, and Archangel, in the north, have been forbidden to continue the subscription lists already opened in their columns.

Yesterday the Prime Minister was visited by a deputation representing twenty different medical, benevolent, and technical societies in St. Petersburg for the purpose of persuading him to permit them to send relief and doctors to the distressed districts on their own account, but Mr. Kokovtsov was against it. No public organized relief would be allowed. Everything must be sent through the Red Cross Society, which is entirely a government military institution.

M. Frolskikh, one of the members of the Duma, has proposed that all deputies should forego half their salaries for this month for the sake of sending immediate relief. The present famine in some eleven provinces of Eastern Russia and Siberia is said to be far worse than the great one of 1901, when foreign money was gathered for the Russian sufferers who were living or rather dying on bread made from birch bark and sand. Even Mr. Kokovtsov admits that the result of the harvest, for instance, in the province of Orenburg, is 50 per cent. less than the requirements of that one large territory. There are districts where less than 40 lbs of wheat has been gathered from nearly three acres of land.

Public relief work is so badly planned that a deputy from Samara, states that, in the absence of anything more rational peasants are to be employed in removing snow from one district to another. Bishop Dyonisius, of Chelabinsk, declares that the peasants are impeding the clergy to receive them for death by receiving their confessions and administering the last rites of the Orthodox Church. A special appeal has been made to the Duma for the rural priests, who are more threatened with starvation than the workers of their flock, as they are not supposed to participate in ordinary relief work from the government.

MRS. PANKHURST AT VICTORIA THEATRE

Beneficent Tolls of Methods Employed in England in War Organization's Fight to Obtain the Franchise

Mrs. Pankhurst, leader of the woman's suffrage cause in Great Britain, addressed a large audience in the Victoria theatre last evening. She spoke of the history of the suffrage movement in England, and in declaring to her hearers the failure of many of the impressions which had gone abroad concerning the same.

Where the movement was concerned in England, said Mrs. Pankhurst, success seemed to be a virtue—it had become a crime. It had been said that they had not waited long enough, but the woman's suffrage movement in England had begun over 50 years ago. And before that time it was a historical fact that women not only had the right to vote, but had exercised it. Only recently she had read a letter from a lady of that period to a friend, saying that she was going to York to record her vote—though against the wishes of her men folk. Mrs. Pankhurst said she thought to be an even greater man than his brother, was a champion of the cause. The old arguments used against universal suffrage for women had been that they must show themselves capable of using the vote and then they would be trusted. They had been told that although they had been in the same position could they have found a better way? They had decided to use the methods of men just as far as was necessary and no further.

The first of the tactics called military had been strictly constitutional. They had

asked the Liberal leader of the incoming party in 1905 to receive a deputation of women, and they had been refused. They had hoped for better things from Sir Edward Grey, who at one time had professed himself a supporter of woman's suffrage. Much that had been said of the methods was untrue. No banners had been used, and there had been no stings and scotchings. They had only entailed the services of any girls under the age of 21 years to act on their deputations.

Mrs. Pankhurst did not think that the legislators of Canada would ever be so hard upon women as had been the Liberal government in Great Britain. It was often claimed that men were much stronger than women. Why then did they need the vote? It should be given to the women if only because they were otherwise handicapped in the battle of life. The president of the Political Equality League, who introduced Mrs. Pankhurst to the audience, then announced that the latter would be glad to answer any questions. A number were asked and disposed of after which the mayor moved a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Miss Agnes Deane Cameron. This was responded to by Mrs. Pankhurst and the meeting closed with the National Anthem.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Woman and Her World

Changes of Season.

The summer has been such an unusually elevating one by reason of its phenomenal and prolonged heat that with the winter season before us it will be necessary for most of us to modify our physiological conditions that we may be able to resist the consequences of the elements peculiar to this coming season, as well as those to which we are all more or less susceptible in any change of weather. In the first place it is wise to guard against nervous strain which otherwise will show itself in so many so-called minor ailments, including neuritis and indigestion, eyestrain, as well as headache. The woman who is popular in society seldom pays sufficient attention to the health of her nerves, but she will pass her days and the greater part of her nights, at all events the hours during which she should be recuperating and getting her beauty sleep, in a continual round of excitement, on and on, from one thing to the next from the time she has her breakfast in the morning until it is morning again, though we only speak of it as "late at night" when she is tired in mind and body, and soon acquires a lifeless complexion and dark rings under her eyes. Though the world is here to enjoy, for she usually has riches and belongs to the class of which it is said they "don't rest, neither do they sleep," she wearily admits at the end of the rainy season of the year that she has, night after night, during its progress, felt too exhausted for words, too tired to sleep, wearied almost to the verge of hysterical tears.

The Importance of Rest.

A constitution so treated cannot be expected to be ready to meet, without disaster, the sudden changes of atmosphere and temperature that it will certainly be called upon to encounter; therefore, if the night pleasures must involve late hours, a rest should be taken immediately after luncheon every day for at least an hour in the quietest room available, with its blinds drawn down to shut out the light. Another fine preventative of loss of nerve tonic is plenty of fresh air for this, if taken into the air cells by means of deep breathing, during an early morning walk, will improve the general circulation of the blood, and so fortify the system to endure the vitiated air of the crowded rooms, restaurants and theatres as well as the changes in the outer air when a cold season succeeds a hot one. The daily bath, which is most essential, should be made invigorating and doubly purifying by the addition of crystal carbonate of soda, carbonate of ammonia and aromatic bath salt. December is a treacherous month, sometimes bright and sunny, sometimes frosty and cold. It is now possible to obtain the latest, yet warmest and most suitable undergarments of the finest and softest wool and silk combined, and even those who wear the thinnest of these clothes in order to appear slender, have no excuse for not donning these at this change of season. Those who are wise enough to have already changed their summer underclothing for one of these kinds now will avoid that "cold" which is the harbinger of so many mishaps and catarrhs, winter rheumatism and allied troubles will be unknown to them.

Books of the Day.

"The Protector," by Harold Bindloss, is another of those vigorous, wholesome romances of England and Canada, of which Mr. Bindloss seems to possess an inexhaustible store. A very good story of his kind, concerning a natural people, "The Miller of Old Church," a story of rural Virginia, by Ellen Glasgow, "Builders of Ships," and "The Ride of Dutton Marker," are two new novels cleverly written by Marie Connor Leighton. "Body and Soul," by Lady Trowbridge.

LINER OLYMPIC HELD RESPONSIBLE

Big White Star Vessel Held Responsible for Collision off Isle of Wight With H.M.S. Hawke

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The admiralty court today found that the White Star liner Olympic was responsible for the collision with the British protected cruiser, Hawke, near Osborne bay, on the north side of the Isle of Wight on September 20 last.

Before the decision was given by the court an unique demonstration with models of the two vessels in a tank was made by the National Physical Laboratory at Teddington. A theory put forward by the Admiralty to account for the collision is that the giant Olympic may have sucked the much smaller Hawke towards her, and laboratory trials were carried out to test this suggestion. In order that the President of the court, the Elder Brethren, counsel, and expert witnesses might see these facts for themselves the visit to the laboratory was paid.

With both parties in the litigation present, it was as defined by the President of the court a "Quakers' meeting." The weather, politics, golf, anything in fact, could be talked about except the evidence produced by the actual experiments.

Those concerned assembled at the marine section of the laboratory. Before them stretched the make-believe Solent, 500 feet long and 30 feet wide; the great experimental tank, which is such an important part of the laboratory, imitating the actual picture of the Solent. Those bare whitewashed walls to the right were for the moment the wooded hills which rise behind Cowes. That door to the left marked the opening of Southampton Water. St. Michael's Bay and its anchorage were away in the far corner. The Olympic was represented by a perfect scale model of the liner's hull made of yellow wax, her passengers, crew and cargo being lumps of lead and tin. The Hawke, a model of the same size, was made of brass. The two models, almost as large as a small ship, was fitted with tiny screws, and engine, by a little electric motor. Similarly the miniature Hawke was made to scale in wax complete even to her cruiser gun and rudder.

Those concerned in the experimental tank of the laboratory is a steel bridge called the towing carriage, which weighs fourteen tons. This bridge, set upon wheels and rails, can be made to travel



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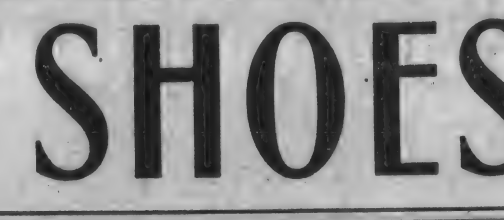
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at varying speeds, propelled by electric power, above the water of the tank. There upon the bridge Sir Samuel Evans and witness took their stand. To the underpart of the bridge the two model ships were attached, exactly the same distance apart, relatively to their size, as were the liner and cruiser before the collision. As deep as the sea was below the Olympic and the Hawke, so deep was the water of the tank, in comparison, below the scale miniature. Then the bridge was set moving, towing beneath it the models at a speed equal to an actual sixteen or eighteen knots. Then came the thrilling moment. . . . But not beyond a certain point was the reproduction of the accident permitted.

Many times the towing bridge, with the models below it, made its journey along the length of the tank. Altogether the President of the Admiralty Court, the Elder Brethren, counsel and witnesses, spent an hour and a half riding on the travelling bridge, watching the manoeuvres of the models.

LUCERIC LEAVES THE OUTER WHARF

Weir liner Took Heavy Cargo—Empress of Japan Expected Tonight—Strathclyde Also Due

The steamer Luceric of the Weir line left the outer wharf yesterday morning with about 10,000 tons of general cargo for Manila and way ports in the Far East. The big Weir steamer arrived from after daylight and left about noon, taking 350 Chinese passengers. The bulk of the cargo consisted of cotton, flour, wheat, machinery and lumber. The freight included 1,500 tons of hay for the United States government. The officers of the Luceric were in receipt of news shortly before the steamer left from the head office of the line that an increase of 15 per cent. had been made in the pay of all deck officers and engineers, and there was jubilation in consequence.

The Kumerio, which returned in distress with her steering gear disabled, is expected to be ready to leave today. The Kumerio is laden with a heavy freight. Inbound from the Orient the R.M.S. Empress of Japan is expected to reach William Head tonight, but it is not anticipated that she will arrive in time to pass quarantine. The white liner was spoken by wireless yesterday on route from Yokohama.

The Strathclyde, under charter to the Weir line, which sailed from Yokohama five days before the Empress steamer, is also expected. The Strathclyde, which sailed from Yokohama on December 8th, should be reported today. She has about 200 tons of cargo to discharge here.

On the Japanese steamer Panama Maru, when she leaves port for the Orient Saturday, will be a shipment of 1,500 tons of steel rails, which is the first part of the contracted recently awarded to the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad and the Osaka Shosen Kaisha by the United States Steel Products company. The contract calls for the transportation of about 25,000 tons of rails from the East across to this coast and thence to the Orient.

This is the largest contract of its kind in several years. During the coming year about \$1,000,000 worth of steel rails will go through to the Orient. The steel is purchased by a Japanese firm, but the exact purpose for which it will be used has not been announced. The steamer Panama Maru will also have a full cargo of general freight when she leaves port Saturday, including a large shipment of raw cotton. She will also

carry flour and miscellaneous freight. The vessel will clear direct from this port.

The steamer Sado Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha is not expected until the 26th. Under the new schedule the steamer was several days late in leaving Yokohama. This schedule provides for the coming of the steamer Sanuki Maru to Victoria on February 15th next, and for the replacing of the steamers Inala Maru and Tamba Maru next May by the new steamers Yokohama Maru and Shidokawa Maru.

PRINCESS MARY IN HEAVY GALE

Sea Flooded Well of Vessel When Stormbourn off Skidegate—Sheltered Behind Banks Island

The steamer Princess Mary, from the Queen Charlotte Islands, encountered very heavy weather when off Skidegate last week ago. A strong southeast gale prevailed with heavy sea when the C. P. R. steamer was on her way across Hecate Strait, and when the Princess Mary was off Skidegate bar heavy seas broke over her, flooding the well about a foot deep. It was decided to put back for shelter, and the vessel proceeded under the lee of Banks Island.

Montana Passes On Taking the place of the damaged steamer City of Puebla the steamer Montana left yesterday morning for San Francisco. The Montana did not call at the local wharves, only stopping off the port to discharge her Sound pilot.

"Tom and Jerry" at the Blenheim. . . .

Boat's Masts Repaired by Newton & Green Co. 1725 Wharf street, makers of "Nag" Competition.

TYRUS COBB PRAISES MANAGER JENNINGS

Great Baseball Artist Says He Was Happiest When He Heard His Manager Was Getting Well

"No man in the world was more overjoyed than I was when I read the dispatch from Scranton, saying that Hughie Jennings was believed out of danger and that his recovery was assured," writes Ty Cobb.

"The accident to the great Hughie was a most unfortunate affair, and one which no one regretted more than I. I deem this a favorable opportunity for expressing my opinion of the man under whom I have worked ever since I broke into fast baseball company. Last summer Davy Jones was quoted as saying that Jennings was to blame for the poor finish made by the Tigers in the American league race. Davy laid our failure to Hughie's poor judgment in handling his pitchers.

"I want to say, and say it most emphatically, that Jennings was not to blame in any way for our failure to win the pennant. I really believe that the Tigers were the class of the league, and that but for hard luck we would have won the pennant, but Jennings was not to blame.

"Davy Jones is the last man in the world who should say anything against Hughie. Jennings always treated him right, and really sent Matty McIntyre to Chicago to give Jones a free rein.

"Every ambitious manager is a hard loser, but Jennings is not so inclined. He is a man who is not so inclined as some others. We pulled off some mighty poor plays last season, but Hughie never kicked. He always treated his players like gentlemen. If we lost a game, Hughie would come into the clubhouse and say, 'Well,

boys, we dropped that one, but forget it. We'll get the next one.'

"The real secret of our failure was the accident to Gainer. We had won twenty-six games and lost only six when he was hurt. We had beaten the Athletics by decisive scores, and were undoubtedly the class of the league. Gainer had helped along with a home run and a two-bagger in one game and two three-baggers in another, both games against Mack's crew.

"When he was hurt Hughie was forced to move. Deliberately over to first. He was inexperienced there, and the change knocked the confidence of the other players in the head. You know how it is—remove one important part from the best-working machine in the category and you throw the entire mechanism out of gear. With the confidence of a few of the men was shaken—even though others played along as if nothing had happened."—repeated on the team to our discomfiture.

"Hughie always treated us right. I know that he spent money on us out of his own pocket, tried to make us forget our defeats and discouragements, and did everything in his power to bring the pennant to Detroit.

"I think I know Jennings as well as any in the business and personally I can say that I never want to work for a better man. He is a great general, a fellow and as game as a pebble. If every ball player had the nerve to take the personal chances that Jennings did when he was in his prime as a player we would have greater aggregations today than we have."

CUNARD INCREASES CAPITAL

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20.—The Cunard Steamship company today voted its approval of a \$4,300,000 increase of capital to be expended chiefly in carrying out the recent purchase of the control of the Anchor Line.

Opening of The New Skating Arena

We have just forwarded the Skates and Hockey Supplies for Victoria's first professional hockey team, which will be seen in action in a few days. Mr Lester Patrick, while not in a position to give the exact date of opening, said it would be open to the public not later than Christmas day. With this announcement, nothing could make a more appropriate or useful Xmas gift than a fine pair of Skates or Skating Boots. If you do not know the size, we will give you an order marked in plain or private figures, and they can select the Skates or Boots to suit, or we will give them merchandise to the value of the order. Make your selection early, while the stock is complete.

Automobile Skates

MODEL "A" AUTOMOBILE SKATES, made from high grade finely tempered steel, heavily plated and handsomely finished. Price per pair.....\$4.00

MODEL "C," same as Model "D" only with 3.16 blade. Price per pair \$5.50

MODEL "D" AUTOMOBILE SKATES with deep wedge shaped blades and aluminum alloy tops, making it extra strong, feather, light and fast, pair \$6.00



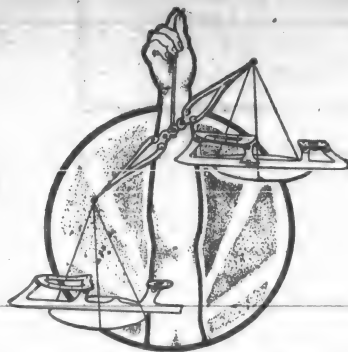
Ladies' Auto Skates

Made Specially for Ladies with all the dainty style for which this notable little model is now famous. There is combined a rigid strength which makes it as dependable and safe as it is attractive. Price per pair.....\$3.00

WE ALSO CARRY A COMPLETE STOCK of the famous McPherson Gale Skating and Hockey Boots for ladies, gents and boys, all sizes. Prices \$5.00, \$4.50, \$3.75, \$3.50, and per pair.....\$3.00

HOCKEY STICKS, ranging in price from, each 25c to.....\$1.25

See Our Selection of Hockey Sweaters



SKATE SPECIAL FOR BOYS

Just to encourage the Boys we are making a special reduction on Boy's Hockey Skates. Reg. price \$1.00. Sale price, per pair.....65c



Star Skates

BOY'S "STAR" SKATES, per pair.....\$1.25



LADIES' AND GENT'S "BEAVER" SKATES, per pair.....\$2.25

LADIES' AND GENT'S "SCOTIA" SKATES

LADIES' GLACIER, per pair.....\$3.25

MIC-MAC FEATHERWEIGHT SKATES, per pair.....\$4.00

ACME SPRING SKATES, adjustable to any boot, per pair.....85c

ACME SPRING SKATES, heavily nickel-plated, per pair.....\$2.00

"ARCTIC SPECIAL," made from high grade steel, heavily nickel-plated and buffed, per pair.....\$2.00

M'CULLOCH'S FAMOUS TUBE SKATES. This is the skate we supplied the Victoria professional team with, and in fact the skate used by all professional teams in Canada, per pair.....\$6.00

G. H. Lunn & Co., Famous Hockey Skates, per pair, \$6.00

920 Government St.
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Mail Orders Promptly
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OUR PORT ALBERNI —SANDWICH—

Where Our Property Lies

Our property lies at the point of a triangle between what is known as The Old Town and Port Alberni. This constitutes the "SANDWICH." The new town—Port Alberni—must necessarily grow towards the agricultural district. This will develop our property. The Old Town must grow towards the harborage and the railroad terminal. This will also tend to develop our property. Here we have the "meat" of the "SANDWICH."

From centre to centre of the two towns the distance is approximately one mile and a half. The very farthest point of our property is a mile and three quarters from the water and the nearest is three quarters of a mile.

FROM THE CENTRE OF PORT ALBERNI TO THE NEAREST POINT OF OUR PROPERTY IS A LITTLE OVER HALF A MILE

The property is comparatively level and free from rock, with some light timber and it rises gradually from the water, affording ample drainage facilities.

The Easy Terms We Offer You

THE PORTION OF THE PROPERTY WE ARE PUSHING AT PRESENT IS THAT LYING WITHIN THE PROPOSED INCORPORATION

This is better known as D. L. 46. The prices ruling are from

\$150 to \$200

With \$50.00 extra for corners. Terms of payment can be arranged as monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or yearly payments.

With No Interest and a Deed for the
Balance in Case of Death

Why This Is a Good Investment

This newspaper today, in its new column, tells of the opening of the railroad extension which connects Port Alberni with the outside world. It remains only to consider the immense possibilities, advantages and resources which moved a great railroad like the C. P. R. to take this step at heavy expense (the same reasons that are at present moving the Canadian Northern Pacific to build their road to this new port town)—to realize the importance of Port Alberni.

PORT ALBERNI IS THE NATURAL WESTERN CANADIAN OUTPOST OF THE ALL RED ROUTE, THE FAREWELL PORT TO THE PANAMA CANAL

THERE IS NO QUESTION IN THE MINDS OF THINKING MEN AS TO THE VALUE OF THIS INVESTMENT

We Are Always Glad to Supply Information Regarding
Port Alberni and Our Property

Bankers: Union Bank of Canada.

Offices Douglas and Yates Streets. Phone 284



**Store Open Friday and
Saturday Evenings**

Thursday's Christmas Shopping News

STORE OPEN FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS

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Saturday Evenings**

Muffs and Furs Suitable for Christmas Presents at Low Prices

Today we are showing a fine line of Furs and Muffs, made of lynx, blue wolf, sable, mink, marten, squirrel, fritz, sealette, and many other popular furs. This is as large and interesting a showing as you would wish to see, and the prices—when compared with quality—are well below the average. Quality, Style and Economy are well combined here, and we invite your inspection. Prices start as low as... **\$7.50**

Children's Fur Sets from \$2.50

Here you will find a display that will be of interest to all mothers of tiny people. They are in a variety of shapes that will delight the little girls, and are made of Thibet, Imitation Ermine and Foxaline. You will find this display in the Mantle Department on the Second Floor. Ask to see them. The prices will please you. Prices, per set, \$7.00, \$5.75, \$4.50, \$3.75 and... **\$2.50**

Japanese Dressing Gowns are Ideal Gifts for Women

MANY Dainty Styles at Prices Starting at \$5.75

A better gift than one of these Dressing Gowns would be hard to find, especially among the gifts that are really useful, and be purchased at a price that is within the reach of most women. They are handsomely trimmed with colored embroidery, are well quilted, padded and covered with good silk, in a variety of colors. There is a wide range here to choose from, and all sizes are included. No better values at... **\$5.75**



House Coats and Dressing Gowns For Men

SOME SPECIALLY GOOD VALUES ON FRIDAY

Men's Dressing Gowns—These garments will be much appreciated as Christmas gifts by most men, and at these low prices we should make a speedy clearance of our stock. There are plain colors and fancy checks to choose from, and the prices start at \$18 and range down, according to quality, to... **\$5.75**

Men's House Coats—Made of heavy blanket cloths and meltons, in colors green and brown. They are lined with flannel, and finished with quilted facings. There are many qualities to choose from, the prices ranging from \$18 down to as low as... **\$3.75**

Men's Fancy Vests—These are knitted from good worsted, have knitted fronts and backs, and come in a variety of colors. There are only a few of these left, and early shoppers will secure them on Friday at, each, \$2.50 and... **\$3.50**

MEN'S HATS

All the latest blocks in Hard and Soft Hats are to be had here at prices that are low for the quality of the goods. All sizes, and you are sure of securing a becoming and serviceable hat at a saving price. Prices ranging from \$1.75 up to... **\$5.00**

MEN'S UMBRELLAS

These are now being sold in the Men's Clothing Section. All are special values for the Christmas sale and the variety is so large that you are sure to find one that will suit your purpose and pocket.

AT \$1.00 AND \$1.50 there are some with strong cotton covers, steel frames and rods, and fitted with neat hardwood handles.

AT \$2.50 AND \$3.50 there is quite an assortment, some having horn handles, steel frames and rods.

AT \$2.00 we are offering a good line. There are several styles to choose from, and all are of a reliable quality.

Comfortable Slippers at a Low Price

All-Felt Slippers for Women—There is an enormous stock of these slippers here for you to choose from, including all the newest styles and colors. There are all sizes, and you are sure of securing perfect fit and satisfaction. Per pair, \$1.75, 50c and... **25c**

Jaeger Style Slippers for Women—All sizes and a big assortment to choose from. Per pair, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1 and... **75c**

Babies' Booties—With soft soles. A great variety of colors and combinations of colors to choose from. Per pair... **75c**

Juliet Slippers—These are in sizes for girls and children, have leather soles, and come in colors red and blue. Prices start at per pair... **65c**

Women's Felt Slippers—In the Juliet style. These have leather soles, and come in a variety of colors. Per pair, \$1.50, \$1.25 and... **\$1.00**

Men's Leather Slippers—These come in black and tan, are strong, light, comfortable. All sizes, at prices starting at \$3.50 and range down to... **\$1.25**

35c and 50c Arm Band and Garter Sets for 25c Today

Silk Sox—These come in plain colors and black, are suitable for evening wear, and are a specially good value at the price. Pair... **50c**

Lisle Thread Sox—You can choose from a variety of fancy stripes and plain colors at, per pair, 50c and... **25c**

Combination Garters and Arm Band Sets—Made up in fancy boxes, and will make good Christmas presents. They are made of good elastic and are a specially good line. Today 35c and 50c values for... **25c**

Cambric Handkerchiefs—Full sized and a fine quality. Per doz, \$2, \$1.50 and... **\$1.00**

Handkerchiefs—These are made of plain linen, are full size and a specially good value. Price each, 35c and... **25c**

Silk Initial Handkerchiefs—Any letter to be had in this line. Suitable for men or boys. Per pair, 50c and... **25c**

Tan Kid Gloves—In all sizes, lined with wool and representing a good example of Spencer's. Special Values. Per pair, \$1.25 and... **\$1.25**

Interesting Items from the Book Department

BOOKS ON BEAUTIFUL BRITAIN—PRICE 50c

Stratford-on-Avon
English Lakes.
North Wales.
The Thames.
Wessex.
Isle of Wight.
Canterbury.
Oxford.
Windsor and Eton.
Channel Islands.

The Trossachs
Isle of Man.
The Firth of Clyde.
Romance of London.

BOOKS BY THE MUSIC MASTERS—PRICE 35c

A Day With Beethoven.
A Day With Mendelssohn.
A Day With Schubert.
Booklets of Extracts Entitled:
With Burns.
With Thackeray.

With Dickens.
With Keats.
With Tennyson.

Christmas Calendars and Cards at All Prices

BOOKLETS BY VAN DYKE

PRICE 50c
Poetry of the Psalms.
Joy and Power.
The Good Old Way.
Ships and Havens.

Table Linens—Newest Designs and Dependable Qualities

Damask Table Sets—This set consists of a table cloth, size 2x2½ yards and six napkins to match. Various patterns to choose from, at... **\$2.50**

Linen Damask Sets, consisting of cloth, size 2x2½ yards, and one dozen napkins, size 22x22 inches. These are specially good values, at per set... **\$3.75**

Linen Damask Table Sets—The cloth measures 72x90 inches and half dozen napkins to match. These are a good heavy quality and smooth finish. No better value, at... **\$5.00**

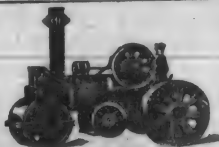
Huckaback and Damask Towels—These are made of pure linen, some have hemstitched ends and are embroidered, while others are plain. Size 25x43 inches, at the following prices, \$1.75, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and... **\$1.75**

Pillow Slips—These are pure Irish Linen and have hemstitched and embroidered ends. Per pair, \$3.00, \$2.85 and... **\$2.65**

Brass and Art Metal Furniture at \$1.90 Today

In this assortment there are Smokers' Sets, News Racks, After Tea Sets, Jardiniere Stands and numerous other useful articles. This is the way we encourage early morning shoppers. If we told you the regular prices, the chances are that you would not credit it, but here are the goods and they tell their own story. All one price... **\$1.90**

Big Reductions in the Toy Department Today



50c ELECTRIC RAILROADS AT 35c
A strongly built toy with about 5 feet of track and a car fitted with clockwork movements. No better toy at this price... **25c**

CLOCKWORK FIGURES
A novelty toy that has three movements—flaps its wings, moves its head and runs along the ground, cooing all the time. These are an exceptionally good value. Price... **25c**

Model Railroads—There is a good assortment left and the prices are below the average for these goods. They are fitted with good clockwork movements and some have stations, tunnels, signals and many other interesting fittings. Prices from... **50c**

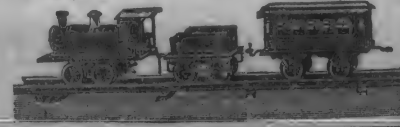
GLASS TOYS AND ORNAMENTS FOR CHRISTMAS TREES

These are in boxes that have been selling at 75c, but having an extra big stock on hand we are making this reduction. They are in a variety of hand-designed and colors. Price per box... **50c**

Humorous Toys—This lot includes the man with the eccentric walk, the gymnast, the tennis player, clowns at various antics, the rabbit on skates and a variety of other interesting and novel toys. Prices start as low as... **75c**

Model Steam Engines—There is only about a dozen of these left. They are good working models, are perfectly safe and as the prices are very low, we expect to sell out rapidly. Prices start at \$5c and range up to... **\$6.50**

Model Warships—There are some good models of warships, steamers, motor boats etc., made with beautifully enameled steel bodies and fitted with good clockwork bodies. There are many sizes and grades to choose from in this lot and the prices are all well within the reach of all, starting as low as... **75c**



TODAY'S STORE HOURS 8:30 A.M. TO 6 P.M. OPEN FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS

David Spencer, Limited

Women's and Children's Underclothing

Fleece-Lined Vests—These are in white and natural colors, have high neck and long sleeves, and are a very warm and comfortable garment. All sizes. Per garment... **50c**

Women's Combinations—Fleece-lined, have high neck and long sleeves. Colors white and natural. Per garment \$1.15 and... **\$1.00**

Women's Combinations—Have low necks, short sleeves and are tight at the knee. Price, per garment, 65c and... **75c**

Children's Fleece-Lined Vests—High neck and long sleeves. These come in white and natural, and drawers are to be had to match. Per garment, 25c and... **50c**

30 Pairs of \$2.35 and \$2.50 Nottingham Lace Curtains at \$1.65 Friday

Early shoppers will get the benefit of this bargain. There are only thirty pairs, and as no phone orders will be filled, you will have to shop early to get them. They are a strong, double weave, with single or double borders. Regularly sold at, per pair, \$2.35 and \$2.50. Special for Friday... **\$1.65**

Comforters, Quilts and Blankets

NOTHING MORE SEASONABLE OR USEFUL

White Wool Blankets—These are a specially good value and are guaranteed pure wool. Size 60x80, per pair... **\$3.50**

Heavy Wool Blankets—Made of pure wool, at per pair, size 60x80, \$5.00, and size 68x86, per pair... **\$5.50**

Eiderdown Comforters—Made in a variety of patterns and colors, in good satin and sateen. They are well quilted and finished with plain borders. We recommend them for Christmas presents. Size 5x6 feet—**\$12.75**

White Marcella Quilts—Double bed size, and come in three qualities. Price each \$6.50, \$2.75 and... **\$2.50**

Wool Filled Comforters—These are a specially good quality for the price, are covered with a heavy quality of English sateen, in many patterns and colors, \$4.50, \$4.00, \$3.50, \$3.25, and 10-4 at... **\$2.50**

Hemstitched Sheets—Made of a pure bleached cotton and closely woven. These are a good wearing quality and may be had in the following sizes, 8-4, per pair \$2.50 and \$3.00, 9-4 at... **\$3.50**

Crib Blankets—We consider gifts for an excellent quality for the money and should make very acceptable and serviceable presents. Size 27x45, at, per pair \$6.75 down to... **\$1.25**

First Through Train Reaches Port Alberni

CITIZENS IN LARGE NUMBERS

WELCOME E. & N. VICTORIA SPECIAL

Inauguration of Service Marks Epoch in Railway Development on Island—Vice-President Bosworth, Mr. R. Marpole, and Representative Party of Local Citizens Are Among Passengers—Residents of Terminal Celebrate Arrival

PORT ALBERNI, B. C., Dec. 20.—Without any sounding of trumpets, or flamboyant speeches, making the orthodox accessories of such distinctly epochal events, regular service on the Port Alberni extension of the Canadian Pacific's Vancouver Island road was unostentatiously inaugurated this afternoon, when, on time to the very minute, the first train to reach a true Pacific seaport in Canada pulled in to this

miles in length, through from Wellington, an enduring monument to his professional ability. Conductor Fletcher and Driver Austin had the honor of commanding the first Canadian train through to the Western ocean. Alberni's welcome, congratulations and good wishes were suitably expressed to Mr. Bosworth by President McNaughton, of the Port Alberni board of trade. Mr. R. F. Burde and other prominent citizens, while whistles screamed both

of now being able to reach their customers on the seaboard without breaking bulk of shipments or dual handling. As for Alberni's gain, one has but to look a timber map of the continent to realize that this new terminal port of the C. P. R. commands, with direct water or rail transport facilities, the very largest compact area of merchantable timber on the continent, a fact of itself sufficient to assure the substantial commercial greatness of Port Alberni and the contiguous territory, especially with due regard for the new trade opportunities created by the opening of the Panama Canal.

Well Constructed

As an example of railroad building, the new extension is much of a revelation. One naturally looks in a virgin road for at least a suggestion of pioneering discomfort. Roadbeds do not settle into instant perfection at command, and new lines usually, like motor cars, are inclined to a little stiffness. Herein is the surprise of the Port Alberni extension, for, but for the indisputable evidence available, the traveler would judge it by its smoothness and his own consequent comfort to be a road years under operation.

base of Mount Arrowsmith, is certain to become almost immediately a popular tourist resort and place of summer residences, while ocean points must also leap into popularity with the establishment of direct and comfortable connection facilities from Victoria and Vancouver. The daily trains for the sea coast from Victoria, even by next summer, will therefore boast their parlor and cafe cars, providing all luxuries in rail travel, and quite a new complexion will be given thereby to summer life on Vancouver Island.

Departure from Victoria

Though the preceding was bare of all formality, the animated scene at the depot of the E. & N. railway company yesterday morning, when at 9 o'clock the first regular train for Port Alberni pulled out of the station, indicated that the officials of the company and the larger crowd than usual which had assembled felt that the occasion was one bound to become of historic interest. Long before the hour set for the departure of the train the platform held groups of spectators and the number of outgoing passengers is said to have constituted a record for a day on which there was no excursion. Many of the passengers, of course, did not go through to the west coast port, but the number who did so from Victoria was considerable. The ticket agent reports having sold 25 tickets, but there were complimentary tickets issued. At numerous points up the line the crowd bound to Alberni was swelled by those who had made arrangements to make the trip.

The various boards of trade of the island and the lower mainland will at a later date be invited to be present at a formal opening of the line to traffic. It is only the unfavorable season of the year which prevented the company from according to repeated requests to have an adequate celebration yesterday. It may be added that all classes on the island hold the conviction that the new road will usher in a new era in the development of this section of the province, and the resultant benefits will be immediate and great.

Port Alberni's Resources

Port Alberni has weighty reasons to adduce for its faith in its future as a seaport which may compete at no distant period for a large proportion of the trade of the west, and as a manufacturing centre.

In the Alberni district there are at least 640,000 acres of land, including 358,000 acres of the finest standing timber in the province. For this Port Alberni is the natural milling centre. The lumber is estimated to cruise at 35,000 feet to the acre, or a total of twelve billion feet.

In the valleys drained by the Soaness river and its tributaries, Sproat, Stamp and Ash rivers, it is estimated that there are about 35,000 acres of productive land, of which not more than 1000 acres have as yet been cleared.

Thin coal seams underlie the town itself. Two outcrops are reported from up the valley, and a four-foot seam closer in on Rodger creek.

To convert this timber into rough lumber 12,500 men would be required to work continuously for some forty years, earning wages of approximately \$2,100,000 a year. Dressing and manufacturing the rough material into sash and door, barrel and furniture should require many hundreds more, and the consequent necessity for greater transportation facilities will lead to increased employment by railway companies. It has already been demonstrated that the land will grow potatoes, strawberries, gooseberries, rad cabbages and beet of all peaches, and with the clearing an agricultural population of 7000 may be expected to grow up, making its living out of the soil, while many more will draw high wages if the mineral wealth fulfills the expectations formed of it.

Port Alberni has all the requisites for an important seaport, fresh water in her harbor, in which pines fifty years old are today as good as ever, a magnificent roadstead and outlet to the ocean; and the C. P. R. to supply transportation by land. There is 1000 acres of level waterfront property, China creek can supply the town with excellent water capable of being brought into it under an available head of 800 feet, and, lastly, the waterfalls of Ash, Stamp and Sproat rivers can supply fifty thousand horse-power—a force sufficient to light and drive the wheels of every industry that can arise.

Port Alberni is the natural port for Comox coal and then there are two things more, both potent factors in attracting visitors who come to enjoy themselves and stay to invest—the scenery and its fame.

Harbor Facilities

Port Alberni's harbor is an excellent one. As long ago as 1892, when there were no signs of a townsite it was surveyed and is marked on the Admiralty charts as a place of safe anchorage. Even then it was noted as likely ocean port of the future, and yesterday's ceremony has undoubtedly brought this very near to realization. The waterway from the ocean entering at Cape Beale is clear of all dangers even for the largest of vessels. The landfall is excellent, there being no off-lying dangers in the track of shipping and the shores and waters of the Alberni canal are both bold and honest throughout with very deep water. As an ocean port, Port Alberni will compare most favorably with Portland and San Francisco. This is the substance of an authoritative report by Captain Walbran, lately in command of the Dominion government lighthouse and revenue cutter Quadra.

He points out that Portland is a long



The comfortable chalet at Cameron Lake.

way up a swift river, the Columbia, at the entrance of which is a most dangerous bar with ever-shifting sands, which cause the navigable channel to be constantly changing, and therefore, though most carefully buoyed by the United States government, can only be safely navigated by the most experienced pilots. San Francisco, says Captain Walbran, has no dangerous bar to cross but the entrance to the harbor is contracted subject to strong tides and is also subject to extremely frequent and dense fogs. He considers with all confidence, that Port Alberni harbor as an

2,000 and 3,000 feet high. At the head, however, the land becomes low and fertile, a large extent being fit for cultivation. The depths to within one mile of the head vary from 160 to 40 fathoms, and the shores of the inlet are everywhere free from danger.

C. P. R. Activities

The C. P. R. has reached Port Alberni and the Canadian Northern Pacific will have its rails laid to there during the coming year. With two great railroads running there the new Pacific port will undoubtedly command

those drawn from its immediate hinterland this new Pacific port must prove an important factor in the development of the island, not only as a distributing centre but as a place where great self-supporting industries will grow up and flourish contributing to an ever increasing population and making generally for prosperity.

P. J. Carrigan, the prospector who rushed from Edmonton to Prince Rupert last year, has met death by accident on a Washington railway. A branch of the bank of B. N. A. is being opened at Lytton.



View of new E. & N. Station at Port Alberni taken from the rear.

westernmost railway terminal of the great Dominion.

The formal opening of the line is reserved for the early spring, but the Alberni and Port Alberni citizens today demonstrated their full recognition of the historical as well as the commercial importance of the event by turning out en masse at both stations to greet the dawn of a new era in southern Vancouver Island, and to extend a most enthusiastic welcome to Vice-President Bosworth, who had come out especially from Montreal to represent the C. P. R. company on this great occasion, and who lost not a moment during his short stay here in acquainting himself by personal observation with the prevailing conditions bearing on his company's varied interests in this section.

Many Passengers

The vice-president's private car Nanose was attached to the regular four-coach train, well filled with passengers,

on land and water, and the assembled people of the related terminal towns cheered long and lustily.

An Important Road

The new road is one of which Vancouver Islanders, as well as the C. P. R., have every reason to be exceedingly proud. Not only is it certain to prove of immense direct benefit to the island as a colonization stimulating artery and as providing a way for the harvesting of the vast known timber and reputed mineral wealth of a highly important section, but it is also destined to prove an especially popular summer scenic route and to divert through Vancouver Island a considerable portion of the transpacific and transcontinental traffic carried by the original sea-to-sea Canadian railway system. Mails, passengers and baggage during certain seasons will hereafter be handled with obvious time saving by their embark-

The alignment from Wellington via Nanose Bay as far as Cameron Lake is virtually straight, while a maximum gradient of 1.5 per cent. has been secured for the entire distance from Victoria, save for one half mile pull, or thereabouts, when Cameron Lake is left behind by trains as they speed on to the very last west. There is, too, but one curve worthy of the name on the entire line, and bridges, trestles and roadbed represent the superlative of safe solidity. Messrs. Jans and McDonnell, contractors for the final Pacific section, delivered to the company an admirable grade, and under Mr. Bainbridge the company's own forces have in the surfacing and track-laying produced a railway fit at the outset to carry transcontinental traffic. Of course, in process of time the heavy fills will be multiplied, and many of the substantial trestles filled up. There are no fewer



The trackage leading to the wharf at Port Alberni.

of whom no fewer than 75 were ticketed through from Victoria and major intermediate points. Mr. Bosworth's guests included Capt. Birchall, of Montreal; Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt, of Victoria; Mr. Ernest McJaffey, secretary of the Vancouver Island Development League; and Mr. William Morris, Vancouverine the Nanaimo board of trade. The other members of the official party were Hupl, Bailey and Assistant Superintendent Goodfellow, of the E. & N. division, and Divisional Engineer Bainbridge, the latter of whom has just completed a section of railway some 81

ation or debarkation at Port Alberni, crossing the island by the just completed line of steel, and utilizing a direct ferry connection promised for next summer between wondrously beautiful Nanose Bay and the mainland and terminal at Vancouver. Victorians have also much to gain in the way of business through the opening of the new transport agency, being thereby given virtual command of the West Coast Island trade if they exert themselves to capture or retain it through the adjustment of common freight rates with Vancouver plus the distinct advantage

than 57 of these between Cameron Lake and Port Alberni, which will vanish utterly or give place to permanent bridges of stone and steel, but as it is today the new road is a masterpiece in sound railway construction, well worthy of the C. P. R.

During the present winter season it is expected that the through traffic will justify not more than three or four trains each way, but with the advent of summer, daily service may confidently be looked for. That very picturesque mid-island gem of water, Cameron Lake, in its primeval forest setting at the

ocean port, is an extremely safe one for all classes of vessels.

Here is a quotation from the Admiralty sailing directions.

"Alberni Canal runs in a northerly direction for 25 miles, with a breadth varying from two cables to one mile, and terminates in a fine spacious anchorage at its head. The shores on either side are rocky and rugged, rising abruptly from the sea to mountains,

a large share not only of the island's trade but of that from Vancouver and other Pacific coast ports. In the scheme of railroad building by the Canadian Northern the city at the head of the Alberni Canal will undoubtedly be a divisional point and distributing centre for the traffic that must eventually develop as new towns spring up along the west coast. With the resources which it possesses and

Heavy cave-ins have lately occurred at the Middleboro mines, no fewer than eight miners sustaining injury. A little lad of Vancouver named Deuchew is at the point of death at St. Paul's hospital, Vancouver, having been accidentally shot by his father "in mistake for a pheasant."

A. T. Garland, F. E. Archer and Mayor Selous are rival candidates for the chief magistracy at Nelson.



New E. & N. Station at Cameron Lake.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription

Is the best of all medicines for the cure of diseases, disorders and weaknesses peculiar to women. It is the only preparation of its kind devised by a regularly graduated physician—an experienced and skilled specialist in the diseases of women.

It is a safe medicine in any condition of the system. **THE ONE REMEDY** which contains no alcohol and no injurious habit-forming drugs and which creates no craving for such stimulants.

THE ONE REMEDY so good that its makers are not afraid to print its every ingredient on each outside bottle-wrapper and attest to the truthfulness of the same under oath.

It is sold by medicine dealers everywhere, and any dealer who hasn't it can get it. Don't take a substitute of unknown composition for this medicine or known composition. No counterfeit is as good as the genuine and the druggist who says something else is, "just as good as Dr. Pierce's" is either mistaken or is trying to deceive you for his own selfish benefit. Such a man is not to be trusted. He is trifling with your most precious possession—your health—may be your life itself. See that you get what you ask for.



Collegiate School for Boys

Rockland Avenue

Victoria B. C.

Central Situation Buildings Spacious and Well-ventilated School Recreation Grounds Gymnasium Cadet Corps.

Under the present management a special feature of the school is its individual attention to pupils.

PRINCIPAL - - - - - A. D. MUSKETT, ESQ.
Assisted by a Resident Staff of Masters

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AWA MARU BACK IN DISTRESS

The steamer Awa Maru, Capt. Irie, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, passed up last night returning from sea in distress with one of her cylinder heads blown off. The Awa Maru, which left the outer wharf on Tuesday with a full cargo and a large complement of pas-

sengers, was 120 miles out yesterday when the accident took place, and Capt. Irie decided to put back for repairs. News of the mishap was communicated by wireless telegraphic apparatus. Capt. Sprague, pilot of the Japanese line, arrived from Seattle yesterday and went out on the launch J. O. Cox and boarded the steamer in the Straits last night. The injured liner passed here about 11 p.m. on her way to Port Townsend.

WHAT THE WORLD'S PRESS IS SAYING

The Supreme Joy

Every year it comes back twice as forceful, there is no joy in the world like it. It is smugling the gifts into the house and perjurying yourself like a pirate about what you "put in there just then."—Buffalo News.

Technical Training

The time is coming in this country, as it has come in all growing communities when brains must be developed behind the physical power to do things, when intelligent direction and individual intelligence are absolutely essential in the upbuilding of the nation.—Ottawa Citizen.

Deep Foundations

The Emperor and Empress of India have been duly honored and the world has seen a wonderful combination of Oriental splendor and western stability. It is a combination that is providing deep foundations for the civilization of the future.—Toronto Globe.

Italy in Tripoli

The chances of peace appear as remote as ever, first because there is no basis upon which the belligerent Powers are mutually prepared to treat, and secondly because neither of them has yet shown itself capable of reaching a decision by an act of force.—London Times.

Men to Be Trusted

Not a word can be said against the new appointments. Lord Charles Bessborough considers them excellent; and he is only giving expression to what he thought and said in all competent quarters. In Admiral Sir F. Bridgeman, Prince Louis of Battenberg, and Captain Pakenham, Mr. Churchill will have colleagues to whom both the Navy and the country at large will look with implicit trust.—London Standard.

Results

In times past in the Canadian Commons much has been heard about the faults of British diplomacy. Was it not Ottawa's recent visitor, Hon. Mr. Bryce, who on one occasion pointed out that practically every vacant space on the world map of one hundred years ago is today British territory? British diplomats may have its faults, but it can evidently as the past century demonstrates, show results above all other European diplomacies combined.—Ottawa Journal.

Naval Experimentation

The construction of war vessels is still, after all, largely guess-work and experiment. The German navy has never faced an enemy. No modern vessel in the French or British navies has ever seen active service. No one knows what the Dreadnought will do on the firing line and our knowledge of the practical workings of the torpedo boat is limited to their service in two or three engagements.—Boston Herald.

Dimlight Diplomacy

There has been too much of secret suspicion, and misunderstanding about the diplomacy of all the Powers during the past few years. We cannot, as the Prime Minister said, expect to conduct all our negotiations with the windows open and the blinds up. But the people and their representatives ought to be apprised of the general course of our policy, and they ought to know what engagements they are committed.—London Standard.

A Parcel's Post Absurdity

The reported reduction of parcels post rates between England and the United States produces an anomalous condition of affairs which should have been settled by Congress to give the people of this country the same advantages as are enjoyed in most European lands. Under the new arrangement, the postal authorities of America with those of England, it will be possible to send a parcel of seven pounds from London to San Francisco for considerably less than it would cost to send a four-pound parcel from New York to Philadelphia by mail or express.—Philadelphia Press.

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QUEEN CITY RETURNS; GOES TO ESQUIMALT

Will be Hauled out for Repairs—Crew Transferred to Steamer Tess Which Left Last Night

The steamer Queen City returned to port yesterday morning from Quatsino and way ports on the west coast of Vancouver Island after a stormy trip, and proceeded to Esquimalt for repairs after disembarking about thirty passengers and discharging her cargo at the C. P. R. wharf. The Queen City was ashore in Alberni canal, having struck near Dunsmuir Point, and was floated by the steamer Leebro after lightening about forty tons of cargo. The damage was not great, only a portion of the forefoot and keel being broken, and the cargo was reloaded and the vessel proceeded. The Queen City encountered a heavy gale when off Hesquilt, and was unable to enter across the breaking bar, the freight for that port being landed on the return trip. At Clayquot a strong southeasterly gale prevailed and the steamer sheltered there on Monday night.

Capt. Gillam and crew of the Queen City transferred to the Tess on their arrival yesterday morning, and that vessel left the C. P. R. wharf last night with a large number of passengers and a heavy freight, including Christmas supplies for the many west coast settlements between Victoria and Hazelton.

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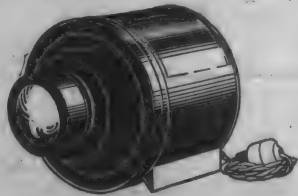
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The Empress Theatre---With stage settings that surpass anything seen on any recent vaudeville stage. Hal Stephens, the great character delineator, is putting on a most elaborate act at the Empress theatre this week. It is of especial interest to students of Shakespeare. Mr. Stephens puts on scenes from "The Merchant of Venice," from "Rip Van Winkle," and "Faust." Making up in view of his audience, while talking in entertaining manner of the characterizations he depicts, the talented actor gives a delightful entertainment. The season is carried out to perfection. The Brockton scene with all the electrical and lighting accessories and a night scene in Venice being the most remarkable. Miss Lillian Selger, who is a daughter of the late Adolph Selger, a master of the cornet comes to the Empress this week in a repertoire of cornet solos. Miss Selger makes a dashing appearance in her military costume, and shows herself an accomplished cornetist. Joe E. Watson, the Hebrew comedian keeps his audience laughing from the time he steps on the stage. His monologues in which he tells of his troubles since his family began to struggle to break into society is most laughable and his parodies are good. Robert and Robert supply one of the most novel acts seen here. The couple, man and dog, appear in a sketch in which the bulldog shows himself an animal actor of ability. Luckie and Yeast do a song and dance turn, a lively, well dressed number. The Empress shows some remarkable pictures, the series depicting Japanese life and scenes being excellent.

The Wonder of Color Photography---Kinemacolor, the marvellous invention which shows animated pictures in natural colors and which was shown locally some few weeks ago, is booked for a return engagement at the Victoria Theatre, commencing Monday, Christmas Day, with matinee. The consensus of opinion from both press and public alike, has been that the Kinemacolor is one of the wonders of the twentieth century. Colored pictures have been before today, but these could only be accomplished by artificial means. In the case of the Kinemacolor, there is no handwork of any description. It is purely the work of the photographic art. The richness and naturalness of the coloring is truly remarkable and can only be appreciated when seen. In all scenes shown the natural colors are vividly thrown on the canvas, bright and gay as the eye catches them, and more especially so in this case in pictures of scenery, flowers, and pagodas. From an educational standpoint of view nothing can surpass this form of entertainment and form of amusement. It can more than hold its own with any in its line. After seeing the Kinemacolor the ordinary black and white animated pictures dwindle into insignificance, and must, eventually, fade into obscurity. In viewing the Kinemacolor pictures one gets a more vivid impression of everything, and the entertainment is fascinating and impressive. The pictures at the theatre at the forthcoming visit are entirely new scenes, including many views of Western Canada, along the lines of the G. T. P., C. N. R., and C. P. R.

Montgomery and Stone---The play to introduce Montgomery and Stone in their first visit to Victoria, December 28th, is considered by those who have seen them in a round of their most brilliant successes to be the happiest vehicle yet accorded them, "The Old Town" a clever play by George Ade and Gustav Luder. However, Montgomery and Stone in any play would be certain of a warm welcome in Victoria, but when these two favorite entertainers are announced as the co-stars in a musical comedy by the invincible George Ade with musical score by Gustav Luder, who are twinkling Festival tunes are well remembered from the days of "The Prince of Pilsen," the theatregoers of the Victoria Theatre will sit back and with good warrant promise themselves a feast of fun. No two comedians on the American stage today have to an equal degree the hold upon popular favor possessed by these two young men who first made famous "The Wizard of Oz" and who subsequently proved the all round qualities of their capabilities in "The Red Mill."



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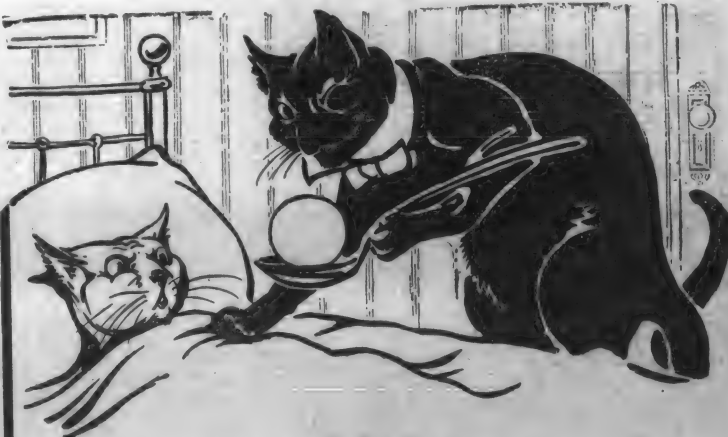
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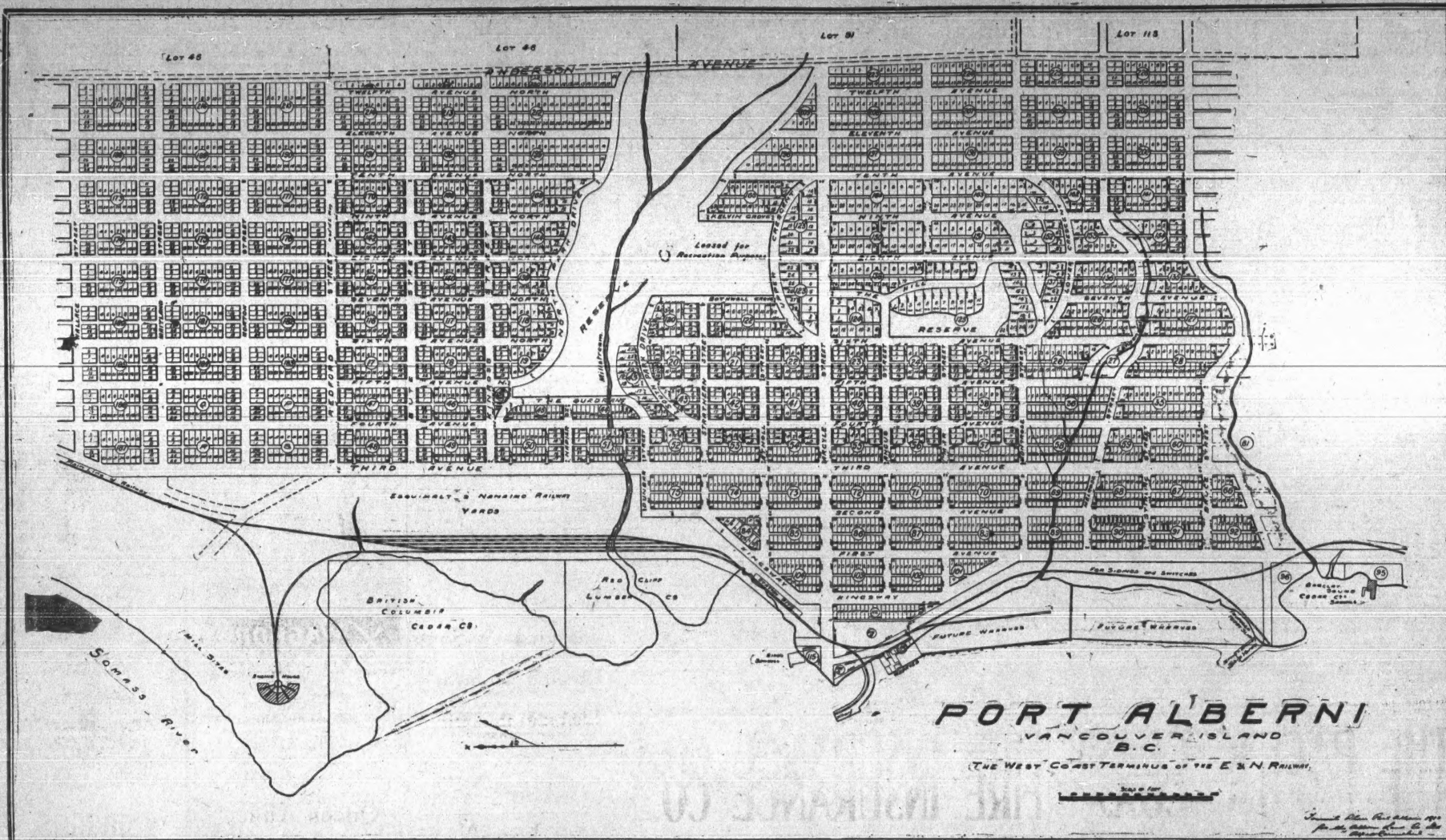
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Stock Markets and Financial News

STRINGENCY IN MONEY MARKET

Over-Speculation and Withdrawal of French Funds Causes Disturbance in Germany—Copper Prices High

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Cable advices were that an acute stringency prevailed in the German money market. The present situation was said by international bankers to be the result of over-speculation in Germany, over-expansion of credits and the withdrawal of funds by France in the fall, at the time of the Montevideo award.

In the stock market business fell off sharply. Some appearance of strength was led by a slight advance in Union Pacific. The electric shares, the fertilizers, International Harvester, American Sugar, Central Leather and American Linseed common and preferred scored the best wins.

Lehigh Valley, after an early advance, fell back sharply on the announcement of the Wabash having taken no action in regard to an extra dividend.

Amalgamated Copper rose in response to the advance in price of the metal to 14 1/2¢. The highest price of nearly three years.

Favorable conditions in the steel trade also were reported. Heavy buying from the railroads is expected, and it was estimated that contracts for 500,000 tons of rails would be placed within the next few weeks.

Bonds were unusually active. Quotations were irregular. American Tobacco and related issues were strong at record prices. Wabash became heavy after an early advance. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

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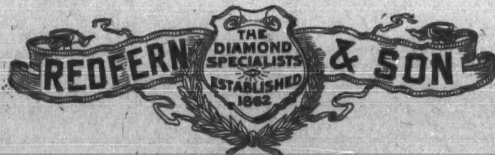
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